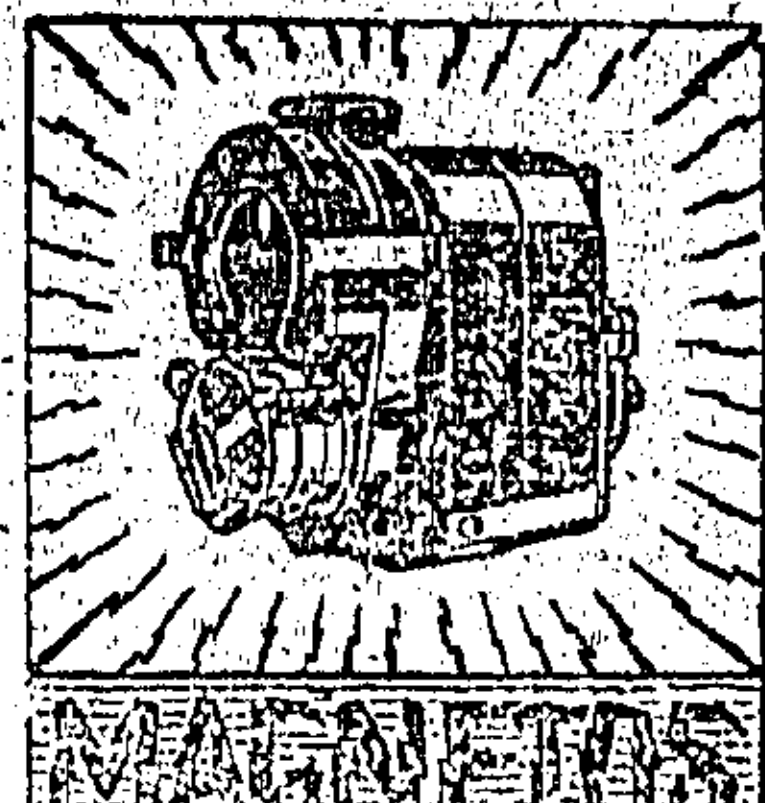


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RETURNING THE CONCESSIONS? FORECASTS OF BRITISH POLICY.

BRITISH BUSINESS HOUSES LOOTED AT CHANGSHA.

TWO SHANGHAI STRIKES.

A Japanese report from Peking states that Sir Miles Lampson has informed the Peking and Nationalist Governments that Britain has decided to return all her concessions to China and has requested the Chinese Government to make preparations to take them over without delay.

Whilst no official information is obtainable, a Reuter's Peking message says it is believed that it is proposed virtually to give up the Concessions at Hankow and Tientsin and substitute in their place International Settlements in which the Chinese would have a very large voice on the municipalities.

News from Yangtze zone shows that the A. P. C., the Ewo and Messrs. Arnold and Company's premises at Changsha have been broken into and looted; whilst at Ichang, Swedish and Italian vessels have been commandeered for Chinese troop transport.

London, Jan. 28. Up to this evening it was not known in London whether specific proposals implementing the British policy outlined in the December Memorandum had yet been actually communicated to the Chinese authorities by Mr. O'Malley in Hankow and by the British Minister in Peking. It is, however, known that, in accordance with the spirit of the Washington Agreement, the British Minister in Peking has communicated their tenor to the representative of the other Powers. The question of publishing the proposals depends on the course of events in China.

Shanghai, Jan. 28. A Japanese message from Peking states that Sir Miles Lampson has informed Marshal Chang Tso-lin and the Peking Government that Britain has decided to put into operation a new China policy, including the return of all her concessions and recognition of Chinese tariff autonomy, and has requested the Chinese Government to make preparations to take over the Concessions without delay. Sir Miles Lampson did not refer to the abolition of extrajurisdiction.

The message adds that the Nationalist Government has been similarly informed.—Reuter.

INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENTS.

Peking, Jan. 28. As has already been indicated, Britain is preparing to lay proposals before the Northerners as well as the Southerners, arguing that as the Northerners have been prepared to act more moderately in their advance towards national aspiration and have not proposed the tearing up of the Treaties, as is the case with some of the Southerners, the Northerners must be granted all conceded to Mr. Eugene Chen by Mr. O'Malley. The proposals in this connection will shortly be published.

While nothing official is obtainable on the matter, it is believed that it is proposed virtually to give up the British Concessions, as such, at Hankow and Tientsin and substitute therefore a sort of International Settlements in which the Chinese will have a very large voice on the Municipality. These territories would become somewhat like the ex-German Concessions, but apparently with safeguards regarding the efficient running thereof and as regards foreign representation on the Councils.—Reuter.

NAVAL NEWS.

FOREIGN SHIPS COMMANDEERED.

Ichang, Jan. 28. Considerable troop movements have been taking place. It is believed that they are being sent to Hankow. Several Swedish and Italian vessels have been commandeered for this purpose.—Naval Wireless.

BRITISH PREMISES LOOTED.

Changsha, Jan. 28. Several attacks have been made on British premises. The Asiatic Petroleum Company, Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company, and Messrs. Arnold and Company have all suffered, their premises being broken into and looted. Two Chinese Doctors and treasurers of Yale University have been imprisoned.—Naval Wireless.

KIUKIANG AND HANKOW.

Kiukiang, Jan. 28. The Chinese authorities are pressing for a resumption of business.—Naval Wireless.

Hankow, Jan. 28. There is no change in the situation.

MORE SHANGHAI STRIKES.

Shanghai, Jan. 28. The situation is unchanged. Two further strikes have started, one at the Hongkong cotton mills, involving nearly five thousand employees, and further strikes amongst the rice shop coolies affecting another 500.

The second Punjabi contingent were disembarked without incident.—Naval Wireless.

MORE AEROPLANES.

COMING ON H. M. S. ARGUS.

Malta, Jan. 28. One Flight of the Royal Air Force stationed here, has been ordered to embark on H.M.S. Argus for China, with extra machines.—Reuter.

SPANISH CRUISER SAILS.

London, Jan. 28. A message from Ceuta says that the Spanish cruiser Don Blasquez has sailed for Shanghai.—Reuter.

AMERICAN PRECAUTIONS.

FORCES OF MARINES PREPARED.

Washington, Jan. 28. An emergency battalion of Marines is standing by at San Diego for possible service in China and has been increased to 1,133 men.

Three hundred men are embarking from Guam for Cavite, in the Philippines, in readiness to go to China, if needed.—Reuter's American Service.

BRITAIN'S FORCE EMBARKING.

CONCENTRATING ON THE PORTS.

London, Jan. 28. The various details of the Shanghai Defence Force are streaming across England in special trains to the ports of embarkation, including battalions of infantry, officials of the Army, Navy and Air Force, Cantons Board, a field butchery and bakery, supply columns of the Royal Army Service Corps, military police, ordnance and clerical staffs. (Continued on Page 16.)

KEEPING ORDER.

LOCAL EMERGENCY REGULATIONS.

PREVENTION OF STRIKES.

The Government Gazette contains regulations made by the Governor-in-Council on Thursday, under the Emergency Regulations Ordinance of 1922. These deal with the dispersing of processions and crowds and the taking of measures for the prevention of strikes and disorders or of the spread of sedition.

PROCESSIONS AND ASSEMBLIES.

The regulations dealing with processions and assemblies are as follows:

1. It shall be lawful for any police officer to stop, divert, divide or disperse any procession whatsoever, or any part thereof, or to divide or disperse any crowd or assembly whatsoever, or any part thereof.

2. Every person taking part in any procession, crowd or assembly, shall disperse when called upon by any police officer to do so.

It is explained that under Section 3 of the Emergency Regulations Ordinance, 1922, as amended by Ordinance No. 10 of 1925, every person who contravenes any regulation made under that Ordinance (No. 5 of 1922) shall, where no other penalty or punishment is provided by such regulation, upon summary conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding \$1,000, and to imprisonment for any term not exceeding one year.

PREVENTION OF DISORDER.

The regulations for the prevention of disorder are as follows:

1. It shall be lawful for the Governor-in-Council, in these regulations, or by subsequent order, to prescribe within the Colony, for the purposes of these regulations, any organization whatsoever, whether such organization be within or without the Colony, which in the opinion of the Governor-in-Council is an organization which has among its aims, or is being used for, the promotion of a general strike, or of disorder of any kind, or of the spread of sedition, within the Colony.

2. No person shall do any act in furtherance of the objects of any such proscribed organization.

3. No person shall without lawful authority or excuse have in his possession any badge, ticket or document, or any other thing whatsoever, which purports to have been, issued by any such proscribed organization whether before or after such proscription, or which purports to be, or which appears to be, intended as evidence of membership of, or any authority from, or any association with, any such proscribed organization.

4. No person shall do any act in furtherance of the promotion of a general strike, or of disorder of any kind, or of the spread of sedition, within the Colony.

5. No person shall utter any newspaper, book or other document containing any matter which is seditious matter as defined in the Seditious Publications Ordinance, 1914, and no person shall say anything which if reduced to writing would be seditious matter as so defined.

COLONY'S FINANCES.

POSITION AT END OF OCTOBER.

Financial returns up to the end of October show that the Colony's credit balance at that date was \$5,700,761, as compared with \$5,197,506 at the end of September.

The total revenue for the ten months of the year was \$16,002,669, as against \$15,853,232 for the same period of 1925, whilst the respective expenditure figures were \$18,415,890 and \$22,116,636.

MORO CHIEF GIVES TROUBLE.

TEAR GAS BOMBS MAY BE USED.

DEFIES THE GOVERNMENT.

A Zamboanga message of the 21st. of the Manila Bulletin states: Datu Tahl, Moro leader, with 300 of his followers gathered in an old cotta, strongly fortified near Tanum, is in open revolt against the Government and has refused all calls on him to return home. He demands the privilege of not paying land taxes, the closing of schools, removal of certain officials, permission to remain armed and virtual self-government. Effort of officials to bring the band to terms without use of force has failed so far.

A constabulary force, under Colonel Luther Stevens, with motor cars filled with tear gas bombs is standing by. It is understood here that the constabulary will storm the cotta unless the Moros surrender. There is danger in such action as disaffected elements in other sections are rallying around Tahl whose wife the Princess Tarhata has failed to make peace.

UNRULY COOLIES.

TOURISTS HAVE UNPLEASANT EXPERIENCE.

Two ricksha coolies were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Central Magistracy this morning, with demanding more than the legal fare, and with abusing the passengers.

Mr. Li Chor-chi, Secretary of the Ho Hong Bank, said at three o'clock yesterday he engaged four rickshas for himself and some tourist friends, at the Upper Peak tram station, and they went for a circular ride via Harley Road. The coolies started to pester him, and he replied that forty cents was not enough.

Just as complainant was sitting down in a Peak tram, the two coolies approached and started to swear at him, and they were supported by about fifteen other coolies. One remark was: "You think you are very important taking foreigners round."

Both defendants said the complainant struck them, and No. 1 called a witness who corroborated. An Indian constable said he saw no blows struck.

Both defendants were fined \$5 each.

NEW GERMAN CABINET.

HOW COALITION FORMED.

Berlin, Jan. 28. The following is the composition of the new German Coalition Cabinet:

Chancellor.—Dr. Marx.

Minister of Finance.—Dr. Koehler (Centre Party).

Minister for Foreign Affairs.—Dr. Stresemann (German People's Party).

Minister for Defence.—Dr. Gessler (Independent).

Vice-Chancellor and Minister of Interior.—Dr. Hergt (German National Party).

Minister of Justice.—A member of the German National Party.

Minister of Communications.—A member of the Labour Party.

Minister of Agriculture.—A member of the Centre Party.

Minister of Economics.—A member of the German People's Party.

Minister of Posts and Telegraphs.—A member of the Bavarian People's Party.

—Reuter.

TO-DAY

Dollar on demand 2/5/16

Lighting-up 6.10 p.m.

CHINESE TRADE.

NEW YEAR BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

EFFECTS OF BOYCOTT.

The trade report of the Hongkong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce to be prepared and presented to the body within the next few days, will contain, it is indicated, many points of interest. The outstanding effect is its optimistic note, denoting the will of the native tradesmen to triumph over untoward circumstances. It will recount the general business situation of the past year, and we may anticipate references made therein to business reverses occurring during the year.

BANK FAILURES.

The most serious, of course, have been the failure of several native banks to withstand the effects of the decline in property and stock values when market prices tumbled down, soon after the commencement of the period of business depression. Doing business principally in mortgaged land and shares, many of these banks were hit and had to close down entirely when this aspect of business dropped to one-third of the value prevailing at the height of the boom.

The combined capital sum thus put out of banking business is estimated anywhere between \$30 and 4 million dollars. This is in addition to the business of the small money-changers, numbers of whom have been forced to close.

PIECE GOODS DECLINE.

Next to the banks and stock companies, business in piece goods declined considerably during the year when usual channels of trade became inoperative through the ban against shipping. Although this embargo has been lifted, there are still relatively few orders, and these only for small amounts.

The explanation is that brigandage, war-time conditions, and other factors have lowered the standard of living amongst the people in the interior, and reduced consumption of piece-goods in ratio to the depression of these economic conditions.

PAWNSHOP GLUT.

But perhaps the best proof of what has been brought on the Chinese is the story told of the trade operations of the pawn-brokers. These establishments are overstocked with goods that cannot be disposed of and yet they still continue to be handed in in large quantities and refused by the pawnbrokers who have had already large stocks left on their hands. Wuchow, Shekhi, and other depots for second-hand clothing have ceased to import this line of goods, simply because the folk up-country are too poor to wear even second-hand clothing. This situation is possibly also due in part to the change in fashions, for, like Western attire, Chinese dress, in keeping pace with modern ideas, is changing in a bewildering way, and what was last season's correct mode in silk attire, is now out-of-date. But silk clothing, even of last year's stock, is a great temptation to brigandage. Whatever all the causes may be, a Chinese businessman told a Telegraph reporter that the dealers in second-hand clothing are taking no chances.

Bulls and Innere

From the Office Butts.

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Bills and stockings run up easily.

Love in Hongkong is an ocean of emotion entirely surrounded by expenses.

The average man has no time for empty heads, empty bottles and empty stockings.

There is nothing wrong in looking at legs; that is what they are there for, but it is wrong for some of the legs to look the way they do.

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Painted legs are the latest fashion for the fair sex! That's nothing new to Hongkong. We've noticed several recently that must have felt like a frieze.

As McWhirter said on Burns' Night:—"Many are caused—but few, are frozen."

"Everybody should lie on the right side" asserts a medical man. We gather that the only exception is the Chinese communist.

We are glad that the announcement—"Let us place your name on our walling list" did not emanate from Exchange Building.

Some Hongkong women are afraid of their shadows. Hence the special diet.

"Dollar Slips Back Again," says a Shanghai newspaper heading. Ours are beyond recall.

"Nemo"—No, it's called Scotland Yard because it's the place where they keep the coppers.

The body of the latest French motor-car is painted with flowers. This will enable the recumbent pedestrian to visualise his own funeral.

It's unlucky to dream of race horses, says a Home paper. So, sometimes, is backing them.

Square necks are now fashionable, says a ladies' journal. Nicely-rounded legs, however, still attract.

If a man doesn't know what to do in America, he "runs for office." In Hongkong he reverses this procedure.

"Chinese take to Chewing-Gum," states an American newspaper. Nothing like sticking together.

"Enquirer"—We do not know what lipsticks are made of, except that they taste sticky.

A witness in the Marylebone Court stated: "My wife treats me like a dog." Probably she had him on a string.

When you smell tobacco nowadays it doesn't necessarily mean that there is a man in the house.

"In Savage Australia" is the title of a new book. They seem to have taken the loss of the Ashes very much to heart.

Women are now taking up the selling of muffins in London. Muffin bolles!

McWhirter says he intends retiring very soon—at about ten thirty.

The difference in cold cash in this Colony between lacking a licence and licensing a lackey is about five dollars.

When does a shroff's demand for settlement begin to come under the head of malicious prosecution?

We notice that a collection of Chinese stamps is to be sold. "Including Chinese Errors." Philately there have been far too many errors made.

A local advertisement:—"For Sale. Pair gent's crepe-sole shoes. . . . cash or instalments." But who wants to become slipshod?

A Chicago train conductor has been divorced seven times. He apparently has the knack of telling his wives where they get off!

If fashions proceed much higher, grandmothers will find a use for some of those long-forgotten baby clothes.

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TABAQUERIA FILIPINA

LEADING TOBACCONISTS IN THE FAR EAST

KENTWELL'S RE-
NUNCIATION.A DECLARATION OF CHINESE
NATIONALITY.

L. K. Kentwell, the barrister recently suspended from practising in the British Courts, appeared on the list as defendant in two cases before Judge Grain in H. M. Supreme Court, at Shanghai. One was a judgment summons for the amount (with costs) held to be recoverable by Mr. Chow Kuei-ching, an elderly Chinese financier who secured judgment against Kentwell in connexion with the latter's liquidation of one of the boom "exchanges." The second case was a claim by the Shanghai Municipal Council for Tls. 200.70 for rates and \$80 costs.

The Judge—I understand, the defendant has been served, but he writes an official document to the Court, and says that "out of courtesy to the Court, he will let them know that he is no longer a British subject. He says: 'I have taken steps to become a citizen of the Republic of China, my motherland, and I throw myself heartily into the fight to recover her rights.' There is a good deal of other unnecessary material. Is there any information as to what steps have been taken in the Registration Office?"

Mr. E. T. Maitland (appearing for the Municipal Council)—I have no information. I take it that it is a move to escape payment of his debts.

The Judge—I take it his idea is that this Court has no further power over him.

Mr. Maitland—I think the Court still has power, as he is of dual nationality.

The Judge—I am not quite so sure. With some nations it does not matter, but I am inclined to think that, if a British subject takes on another nationality, his British nationality goes. Germans, for instance, cannot get rid of their nationality without the sanction of their own government. However, I am not now prepared to state definitely the position.

Contempt of Court.

Mr. M. B. Brown (for Mr. Chow Kuei-ching)—I have looked up the authority and it rather bears out what your Lordship has said. I submit, however, that we have only Mr. Kentwell's letter to go on. He has not appeared to prove his statements and for that reason alone, and also because his letter constitutes a grave contempt of Court.

The Judge—It is a most insulting letter.

Mr. Brown—Therefore I ask for a warrant to be issued. If he has a right to do this thing, he must prove it to your Lordship's satisfaction.

The Judge—I think I will pursue the course I do in most cases and give the person notice that, if he does not appear at the next hearing, a warrant will be issued. I do not see why I should alter my usual procedure.

Mr. Maitland—I have just received a similar letter from Mr. Kentwell.

The Judge—Oh, yes, he seems to have distributed a great many copies.

Mr. Brown—I suggest that it should be read.

The Judge—it is very insulting and I do not see any reason why we should give Mr. Kentwell the opportunity to hurl his insults in this Court. I may as well say that he accuses me of systematic injustice to him. I do not mind saying that, because I feel so confident that not only have I not been unjust, but I have given him an enormous amount of latitude when he has appeared before me. I have continually assisted him with his work when he has been ignorant of the procedure of this Court. The case will be adjourned until Thursday, January 27, and notice will be sent that, unless he makes an appearance then and proves that he is no longer a British subject, a warrant will be issued. Inquiries will be made in the meantime as to whether he still remains on the registers.

THEOSOPHY.

THE WORK OF THE
THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

At this week's public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge Theosophical Society on Thursday, Mr. N. S. Rama Rao, M. A. (Cantab.), gave an address on "The Work of Theosophical Society." He said in brief: "Since the close of the 17th century, with the rendering of the Sacred Lore of the East into English by Western writers, Eastern thought began to permeate the West. Foremost among them was Wilkins, who translated the priceless gem of the East, the 'Bhagavad Gita' into English. German and French editions following soon; thus the Philosophy of India was made accessible to the Western World, and it was from the study of this great Scripture of the East that such leaders of Western Thought as Thoreau and Emerson gleaned and disseminated Eastern Philosophy and Eastern Ideals in their works, and gave to countless younger minds a freer range and truer basis for their ideals of religion. When Sir Edwin Arnold published in 1879 his famous and forceful translation of the 'Light of Asia,' read by thousands in Europe and America, many minds gained for the first time some true idea of the noble ethics and philosophy of Buddhism and were amazed to find that for centuries antedating the time of Jesus His moral teachings had been imparted in their plenitude, coupled with a philosophy unknown to the Christian World at any time. Despite the general contempt for 'Heathen' people, Western Explorers began in earnest to adventure in search of the hereditary metaphysical possessions of the Orient; Wilson's translation of the 'Vishnu Purana' and Dr. Max Muller's 'Sacred Books of the East' were part of the fruitage thus made accessible to the West. Darwin's 'Origin of Species' powerfully shook Western religious ideas of miracles and special creation. His second scientific work, the 'Descent of Man' was received by the educated world with profound interest, and he lived long enough to see his theory accepted in spite of the attacks and ridicule of religious bigots. The period that followed saw a great leap into invention and discovery, development of means of communication and trade, all making for interdependence, inter-communication, inter-respect in the great human family, and the breaking down of human insularity and separateness. In the political field the great careers of Abraham Lincoln, John Bright, of Mazzini and many others all made for the Rights of Man as opposed to the forces of reaction.

Ideas Reshaped.

The works of such men as Ingersoll in America, Bradlaugh in England and Kingsley and Canning helped to shatter the moulds of fixed ideas into which human thought for ever tends to crystallize. The spirit of insubordination to narrow conventional ideas stalks like a giant in the speculations of Herbert Spencer and in the writings of Ruskin, Carlyle, Dickens, Eliot, Balzac, Tolstoy, Walt Whitman and others. They may all be said to have fought for the unrestricted domain of the individual conscience, the larger outlook upon human life and human duty. All are of value. All that facilitates the revolt of the mind and conscience from creedal exclusiveness, all that might turn men from the sordid materialism of a one-life existence devoted to the pursuit of physical well-being, is useful. A spirit of liberty, often a license mistaken for liberty, was abroad in Europe and America, and even threatened to penetrate the East. In the realm of Spiritualism the researches of men like Sir William Crookes, Sir Oliver Lodge, A. R. Wallace, Prof. Zöllner and Edmunds produced among millions a transitional state of mind in which the time-hardened ideas began to disintegrate.

Modern Science, hitherto deaf, dumb and blind towards everything but the empirical acquisition of physical facts and hypotheses based on them, began reluctantly and suspiciously, but still began to take notice of the phenomena of the metaphysical. These efforts were isolated and there was no organized body under whose banner all could fight and work, united in their selfless search for Truth and Light. At such a period of stress and strain Theosophical Society was founded in the year 1875, at the instigation and under the direction of the Great White Lodge of Men made Perfect, the Masters of Wisdom, as Their Channel and Instrument for the Helping of the World. The Society boldly declared as its three objects:—I. The Brotherhood of Man, without distinction of race, creed, sex, caste and colour; II. The study of comparative religion, philosophy and science; III. The research into the hidden laws of nature, making the first only conditional of acceptance on those who wish to join the Society. Its ideals have to-day become so far and widespread that there is no country in which a branch of the Society is not found. Scholars of religion and Science are amongst its members, each assisting the other in solving the riddle of the Universe. Towards this end the Theosophical Society has been working for the last fifty years. It has influenced the World towards human Brotherhood as no other movement of its kind has done. During the past decade its efforts have extended into the educational, social, and political fields as well. This was thought necessary because no activity of man could be divorced of religion. In short, The Theosophical Society has spiritualised all human endeavour because of the knowledge of the inherent Divinity of Man, because of the knowledge that Man is God in the making and that Salvation means the Perfecting of all.

JAPANESE RAILWAY
DISASTERS.WHOLE TRAIN BURIED BY
AVALANCHE.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.
A train with 260 passengers was buried by an avalanche between Tone and Hikida, near Lake Biwa, this morning.

The fate of the passengers is not known.

Rescuers are hampered by snowdrifts.

A Snowstorm.
Fifteen passengers and trainmen were seriously injured at Nofu, a town in Niigata prefecture, this afternoon, when a violent snowstorm and whirlwind blow off and wrecked four coaches belonging to an express train.—Reuter.

PROPERTY SALE.

HO MUN TIN LOT DISPOSED
OF YESTERDAY.

There was a small attendance at the China Auction Rooms yesterday when property situated at Ho Mun Tin was put up for sale by Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, being eventually knocked down to Mr. M. D'Almada Remedios at \$14,200.

The property put up was Kowloon Island Lot No. 1348, with the buildings thereon known as 'No. 8 Liberty Avenue,' held for a term of 75 years from December 1913, with a right of renewal for a further term of 75 years, having an area of 2,446 square feet at an annual Crown Rental of \$18.

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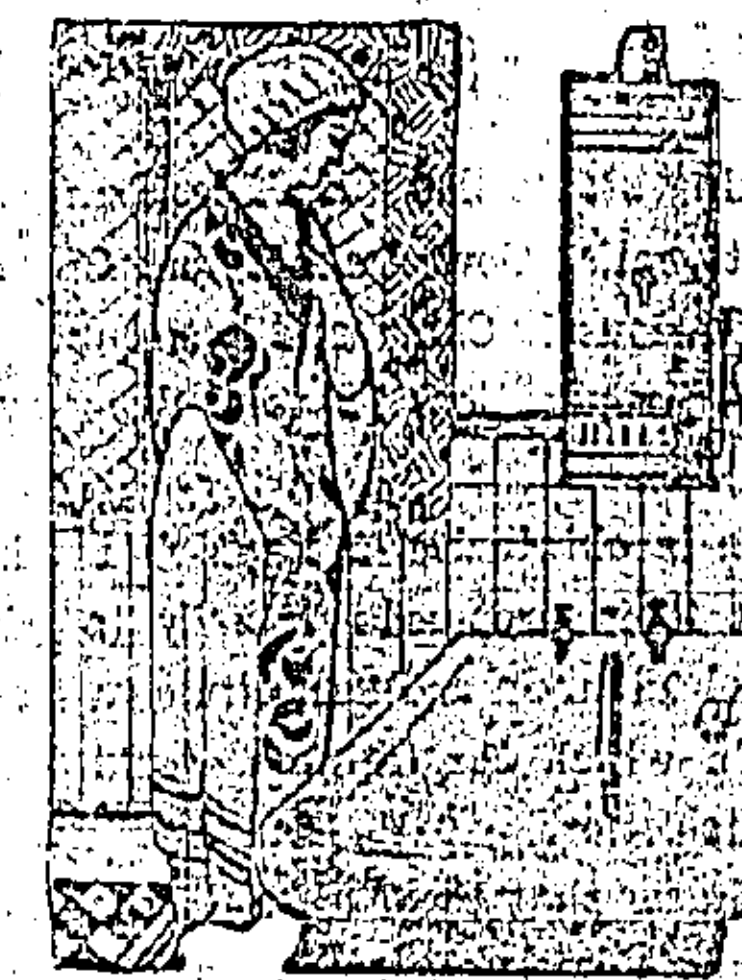
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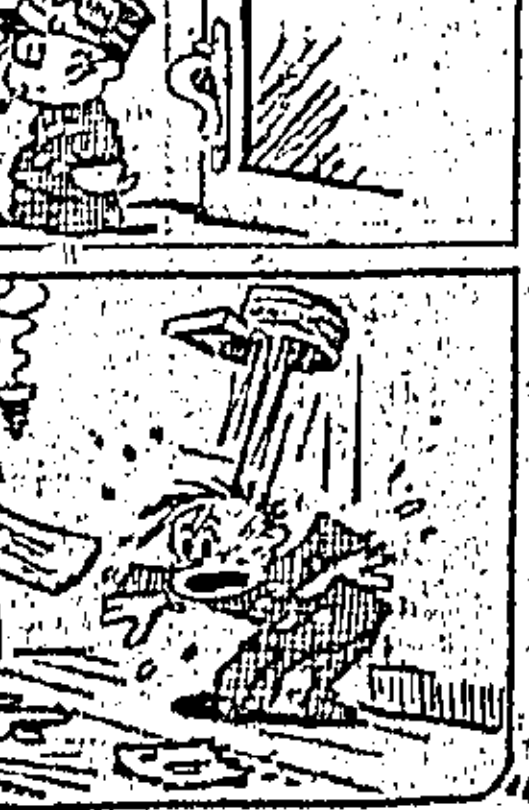
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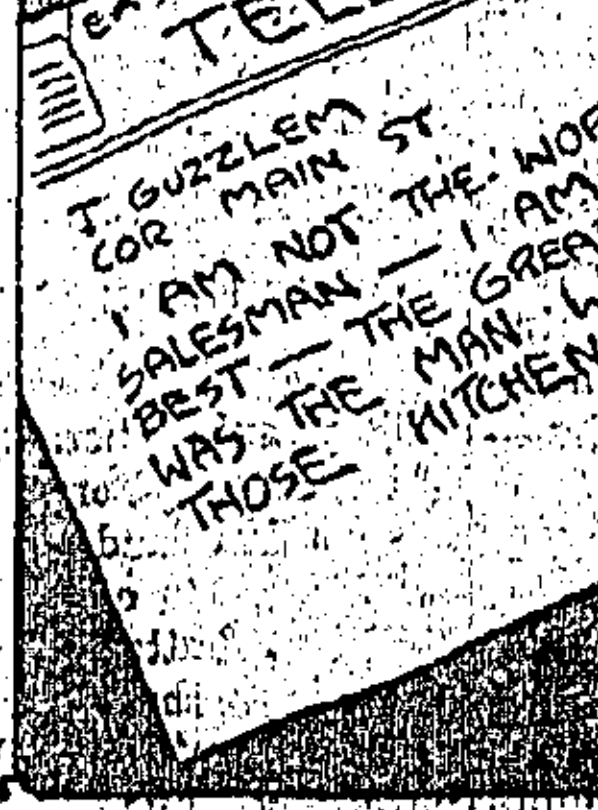
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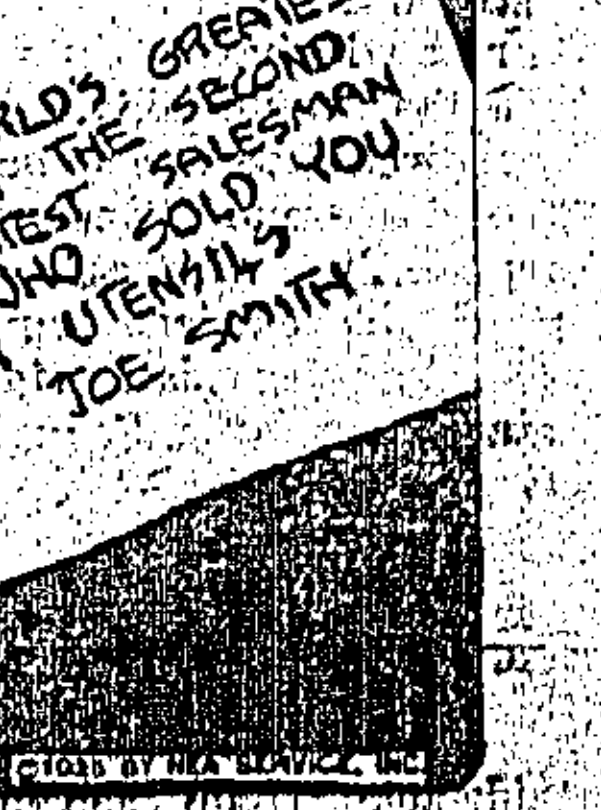
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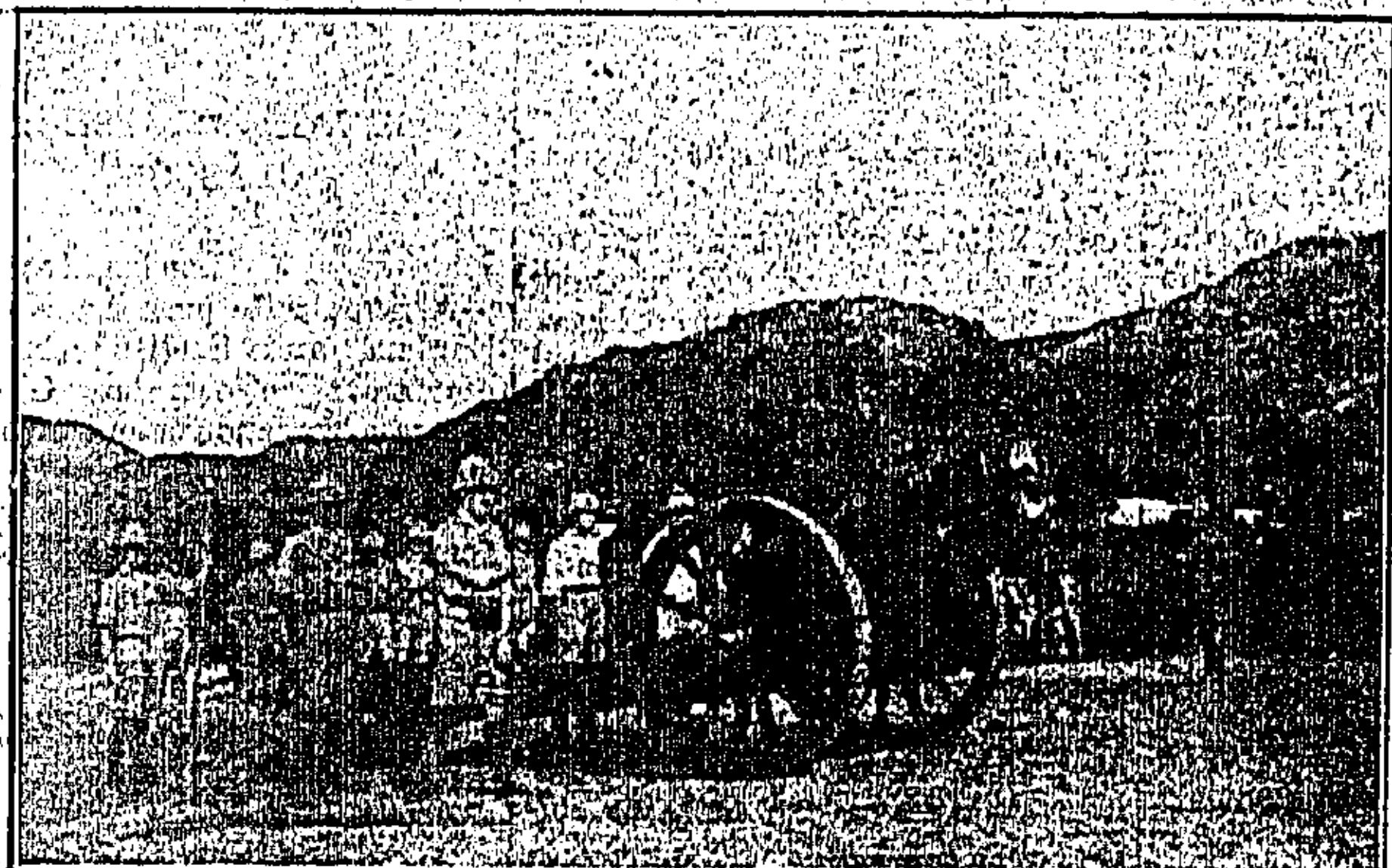
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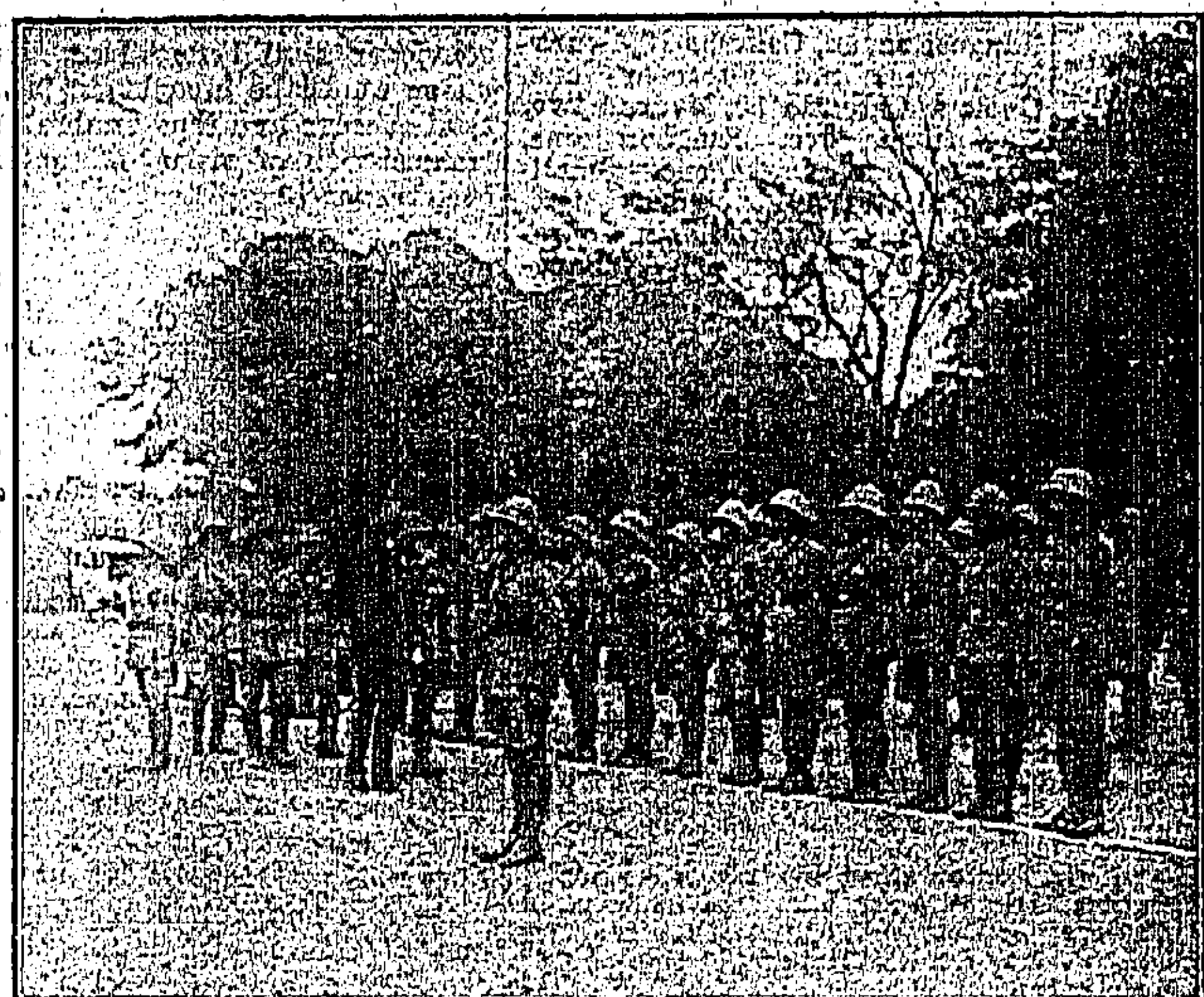
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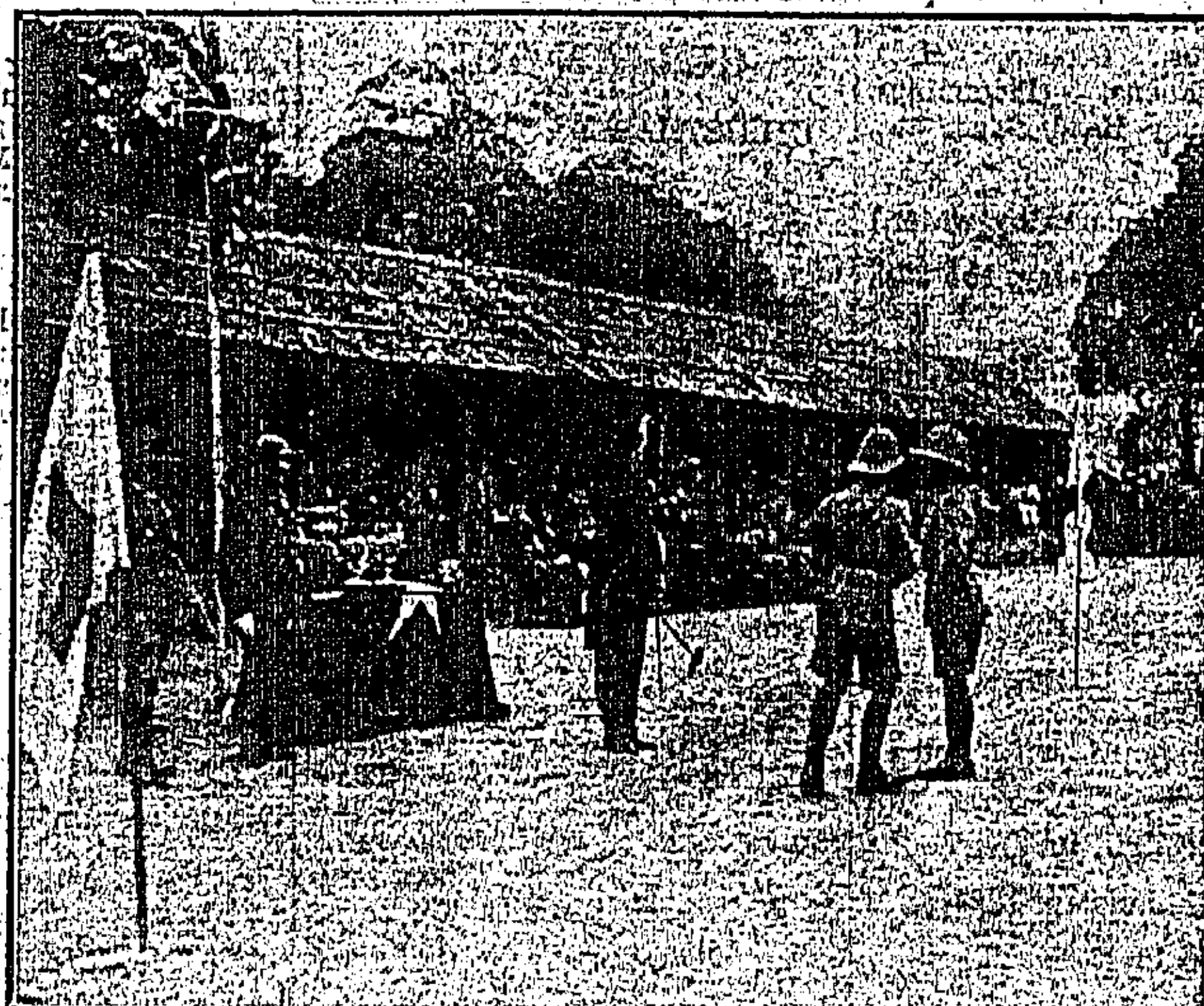
By Swan



The H.K. Volunteer Defence Corps' Artillery Section, in Camp at Tai Lam, near Castle Peak, when annual practice was fired with new 6-inch howitzers, the Volunteers having the honour of firing the first round ever fired with a 6-inch howitzer in the Colony. Left: detachment with No. 1 gun; and right: No. 2 gun being limbered up to Fordson tractor.



H. E. the Governor held his annual inspection of the Hongkong Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade on Tuesday, when the photographs were taken. (Photos: Ming Yuen.)



Group taken at the wedding of Dr. D. K. Sany Pillai and Miss G. M. Chan, at Union Church, last Saturday. (Photo: Ming Yuen.)



Miss Audrey Steel and Mr. A. D. Spoor as they will appear in to-night's Pantomime at the Theatre Royal. (Photo: Ming Yuen.)

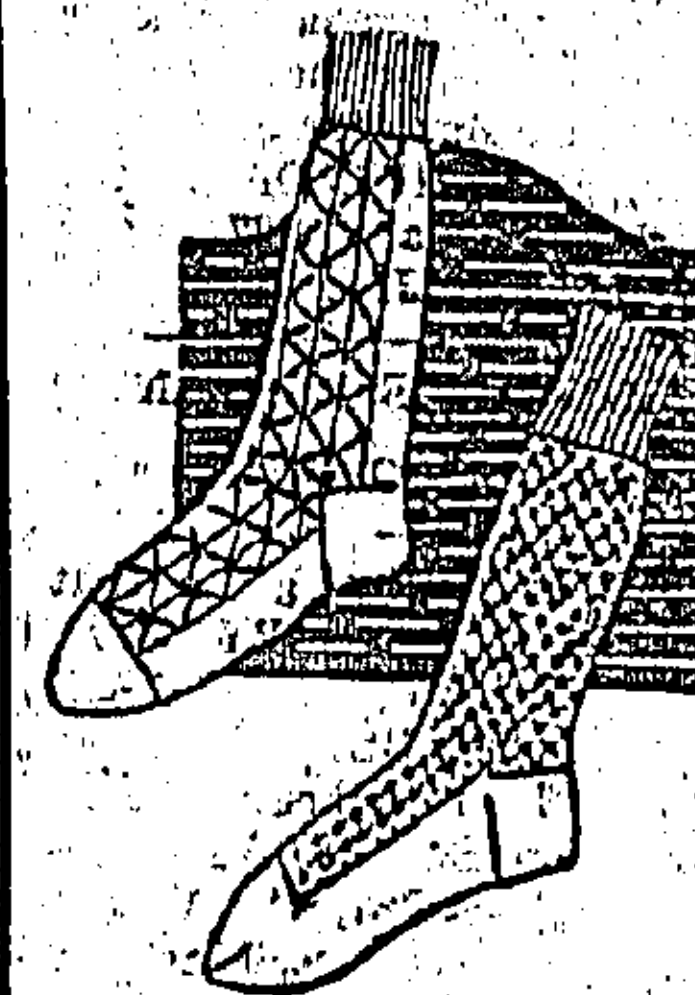


The Hongkong Interport football team, which is to meet Shanghai on Wednesday. (Photo: Ming Yuen.)



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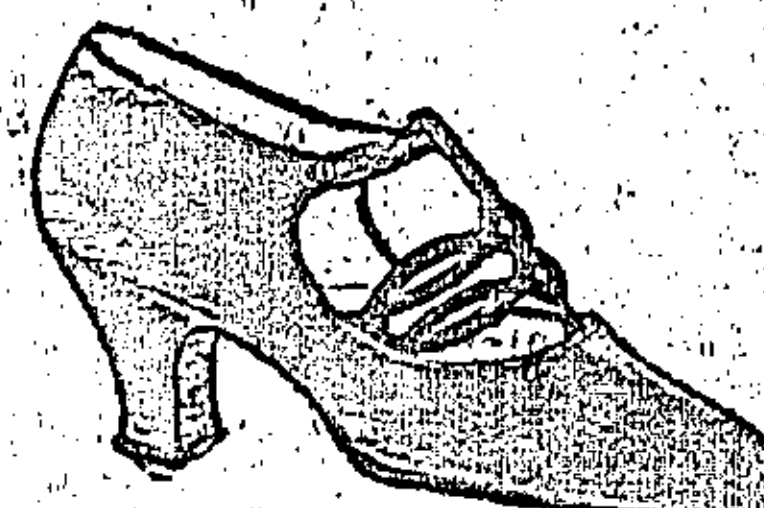
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In Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the Exchange Banks will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on WEDNESDAY, and THURSDAY, the 2nd and 3rd February, 1927. Hongkong, 27th Jan., 1927.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this COMPANY will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 12th February, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 5th February to the 14th February (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS AND SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 29th Jan., 1927.

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St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, January 30th, 1927, 4th Sunday after Epiphany, Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Matins, 11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. H. Copley Moyle. Evensong, 6 p.m. Preacher: Rev. H. Copley Moyle. Wednesday, Feb. 2nd Purification of B. V. Mary, Holy Communion, 7.45 a.m.; Thursday, Holy Communion, at 7.45 a.m.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Macdonnell Road, below Bowen Road Tram Station. Sunday: Subject "Love". Wednesday: Evening at 5.30 p.m. Reading Room at above address open: Tuesday and Friday: 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Monday and Thursday: 5 to 7 p.m. The Public is cordially invited to attend the Services and visit the Reading Room.

G. R. NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that owing to the CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS a constant supply of water will be given in all RIDER MAIN DISTRICTS during MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 31st instant and 1st and 2nd proximo.

HAROLD T. CREASY, Water Authority. Public Works Department, Hongkong, 28th Jan., 1927.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4a, Des Voeux Road, on TUESDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, 1927, at Noon for the purpose of receiving a report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, to TUESDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, 1927, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order, of the Board of Directors, JOHN ARNOLD, Secretary.

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The Twenty Second Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Company, Limited, on Monday, the 31st January, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1926. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th to 31st January, 1927, both dates inclusive.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Hongkong, January 27, 1927.

GERMAN TOYS.

CHRISTMAS EXPORTS AND IMPORTS.

Berlin, December 9.—A feature of this year's Christmas season in Berlin says an Observer correspondent is the large number of well-known British favourites, Bonzors, Felixes, and even Dismonds, which are to be found among the toys in every better-class shop. Dog and cat calendars of the true English variety are to be seen in all the well-known patterns, fitted, of course, with the days of the week in German, but quite to the exclusion of the time-honoured national dachshund, whose figure, peculiarly suited for making notes on the more generous scale, is an annual decoration on German walls. Everybody's make of plum-pudding, jam and biscuits are to be had again, and in a prominent position in the shop windows.

Germany, comparing the balance of their own sadly reduced exports in return for this English invasion, have still reason to be gratified. The industry which suffered most by the war is picking up again. The coal strike is responsible, it is averred in the trade papers, for less demands in British homes for cheap toys. This means that twenty thousand dozen less German toys have been sent to England this Christmas than at this time last year. But Canada, South Africa, and India have all taken more this year than last, to the extent of two, three, and one thousand dozens respectively.

This means more than it appears at the first glance. German workshops are not yet equipped with the expensive new instruments and machines necessary for creating, or even copying, an expensive novelty. Instead of trying to compete abroad in toys of high quality—save in the case of certain expensive, real-baby-like dolls, hand-made—they have set to work to improve cheap mass production.

The fur of the quite inexpensive Teddy bear, the varnish on a box of bricks, and the corners on cheap wooden and tin toys found in very modest Christmas stocking, will be found to be better this year than they were last. Germany's most serious rival, Japan, is losing ground again. Nothing has done Germany more good than her excellent reputation for police-supervised paints and dyes.

Before the war the centre of the dressed-doll trade, the picturesque little Thuringian town of Sonneberg, exported more than forty per cent. of all manufactured to the United States. Many of Sonneberg's best workers left Germany during the papermark period and helped to build up new flourishing toy industries in happier countries. To-day a Woolworth building of the sky-scraper type, oddly set against the fir-clad Thuringian hills, is the outward and visible sign of where the cheaper article goes to.

STAFF OFFICER'S OFFER.

Ottawa, Jan. 28.

Major General MacBrien, Chief of the Canadian General Staff, has resigned, and offered his services to the War Office for the Chinese Expeditionary Force.

His resignation will probably take effect on May 1.—Reuter's American Service.

Shanghai, Jan. 28.

Two hundred and fifty Punjabis arrived to-day and disembarked at noon. They marched to the race course without incident.—Reuter.

With one leg amputated and the other rendered useless, Margaret Ann Findlay, aged 65, Aston widow, was awarded £3,000 damages at Birmingham Assizes for injuries caused by a Post Office motor-van running her down.

STORM SIGNALS.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNINGS.

The Director of the Observatory notifies that from March 1st, the supplementary warnings of the Hongkong Storm Signal Code (Local) will be amended as follows:

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The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Hubert Hope Haslam, electrical engineer, residing at the Kowloon Y. M. C. A., to Miss Yadiya Anthonovanna, of the Astor House, Shanghai.

The Annual Sale of Work of the Mothers' Union will be held at the Helena May Institute at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 15. As in former years, a wide variety of useful and fancy articles will be offered for sale.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Correspondence for Canton will be forwarded by train if so super-scribed. Such correspondence must be posted not later than 7.30 a.m. at the General Post Office or 7.40 a.m. at Kowloon Post Office for despatch by the Express Train scheduled to leave Kowloon Railway Station at 8.05 a.m. and to arrive at Canton at 12.20 p.m.

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CHINESE TRADE.

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have little of profit to report, for during the year now ending there have been few firms which have not suffered from the unnatural effects of the boycott. However, the extent of this loss is not so great as might be supposed, mainly because business has had time to readjust itself to the new conditions, and proceeding with caution, the hands of firms have not involved themselves in large commitments as was usual before the boycott. The result is that many merchants have very little to collect from each other.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports published by the League of Nations for the week ended the 22nd, shows the following cases of infectious diseases: Plague, Reunion four cases, Mauritius one, Rangoon seven, Colombo 10, Sourabaya one and Macassar one. Cholera, Calcutta 58, Madras two, Negapatam five, Rangoon one, Bangkok one, Osaka one. Smallpox, Calcutta 101, Madras two, Rangoon four, Tuticorin six, Sourabaya three, Pandang five, Bangkok two, Shanghai one and Vladivostok eleven.

During a confirmation service at St. James's Church, Grimsby, the Bishop of Grantham was taken ill.

DISASTROUS GALE.

FATAL COLLAPSE AT GLASGOW.

London, Jan. 28. A fierce gale over the North of England and Scotland has had disastrous effects at Glasgow, where a warehouse and two tenements collapsed.

Up to the present it is known that four people have been killed and 50 injured.—Reuter.

MORE WIRELESS WONDERS.

SIGNOR MARCONI'S PREDICTION.

London, Jan. 28.

Senator Marconi, at a lunch given in his honour by the Foreign Press Association, expressed the conviction that before long television would be brought to practical success and thus enable the transmission of vision of actual events over any distance.

Signor Marconi said that the beam system was only now beginning to show its possibilities. During the last few weeks, with the co-operation of the Post Office and the Canadian Marconi Company, tests had been carried out between England and Canada which had demonstrated that the beam system was capable of being utilised not only for telegraphy but also, and at the same time, for telephony. One of his assistants had succeeded in exchanging with ease, clear telephonic conversations with persons in Canada at the same time that the same stations were transmitting and receiving high-speed telegraphic messages, without any mutual interference or disturbance. This, in his opinion, meant that it would soon be possible to establish telephonic as well as telegraphic services not only with Canada but with Australia, India, South Africa and other distant countries served by beam stations.

BANKING REFORM.

MR. REGINALD MCKENNA'S SUGGESTION.

London, Jan. 28.

The re-establishment of the Bank of England on the same reserve basis as the Federal Reserve Banks of the United States or the Reichsbank was suggested by Mr. Reginald McKenna when presiding at the annual meeting of the Midland Bank.

He said that if that were done the Bank of England would have a reserve far higher than at present and could work with a much greater freedom of policy and with manifest advantages to British trade.

Contrasting the trade depression in Britain for the past six years as compared with the prosperity in America, Mr. McKenna pointed out that while the average total deposits in the Federal Reserve Banks rose from £2,850,000,000 in 1922 to £3,751,000,000 in 1926, the total deposits in the ten London Clearing Banks fell in the same period from £1,783,000,000 to £1,661,000,000. The total Bank cash was determined almost entirely by the action of the Bank of England, which was governed by a rigid system. He was of opinion that the divergence in English and American monetary policy since 1921, partly explained the differences in trading condition.—Reuter.



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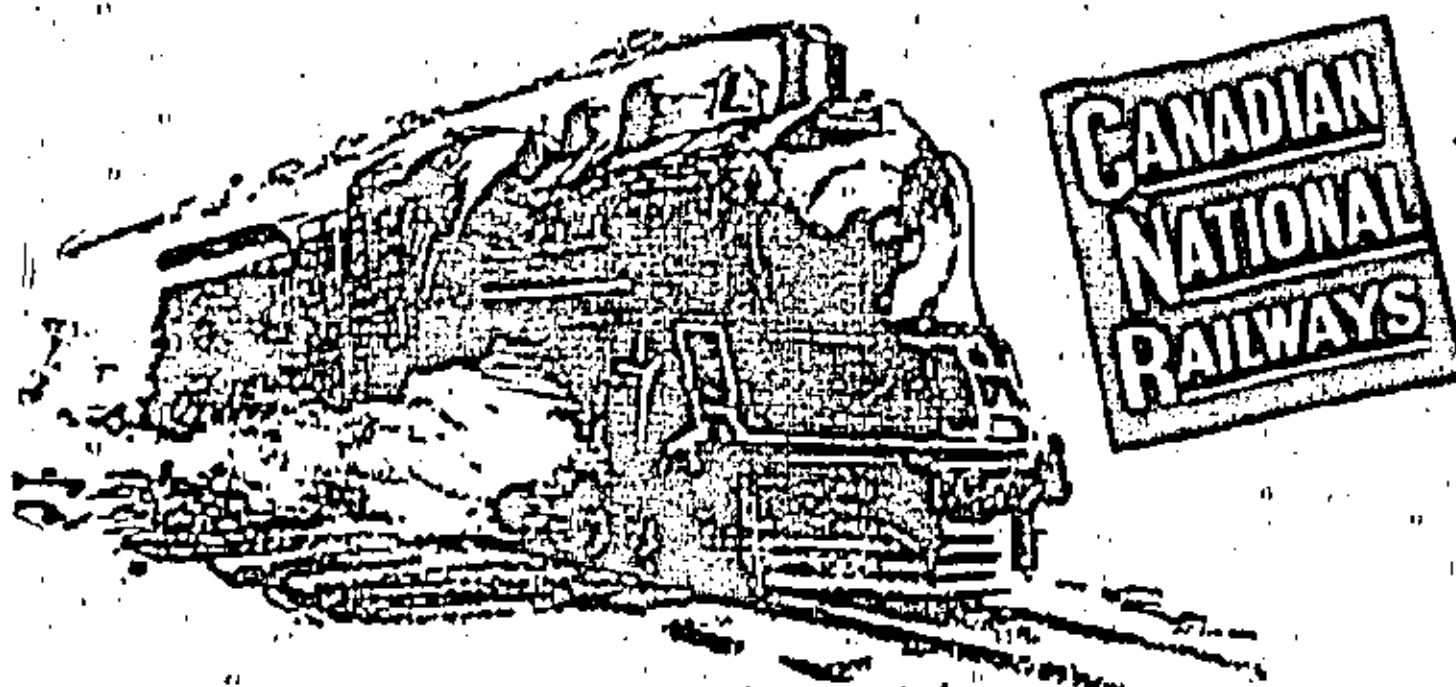
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TALL BUILDINGS AMONG WORLD'S LOVELIEST.

Chicago is to me the most interesting city in the world to-day writes Mr. Hamilton Fyfe.

Why? Because it is so intensely alive and because it is changing so quickly (as a boy changes between 10 and 16). Because there is a chance of its becoming the most beautiful city in the world.

I can hear the air fill with shouts and screams of protest.

"What? Chicago beautiful? With its chessboard streets, its smoky atmosphere, its overhead railways? Impossible!"

So I should have said that when I first knew the city nearly 20 years ago.

It was then hideous, though even then I found wide, green, tree-lined streets and open spaces in that part of it which lies around the University of Chicago.

Out-Rivalling New York.

There was at that time not a building worth looking at, except some of the University blocks. There was not one good hotel.

To-day its tall buildings rival and outshine New York's. One of them, the Tribune Tower, is among the loveliest things I have ever seen. Its spirit is Gothic; the perfect harmony of its proportions is derived from the Greeks and the Georgian period.

Against a clear sky (three were many days of blue and gold while I stayed in Chicago), or in the dusk, or with the moon high and a velvety night of stars behind it, the Tower sits in me the same sense of exquisite satisfaction which I feel at Chartres or Canterbury.

So, far it stands, as a thing of beauty, alone. Some of the other tall buildings have merit. Some look impressive when they have light thrown on to them in the evening.

There is a Gothic spire, for example, which under this treatment makes one forget its incongruity by day. A monstrosity built of chewing-gum—I mean by a chewing-gum manufacturer—is transformed by the searchlights all around it into a fairy palace.

But no other of the immensely high office or apartment blocks come near the Tower in design or in effect on the imagination. It would be too much to expect that they should.

Classic forms.

There is excellent hope for the future, however, in so noble a design winning an open competition, and in the very successful effort which many American architects are making to adapt Gothic and other classic forms to modern uses.

I caught sight one day of what seemed to be a mediæval church tower, at once gloriously solid and aloofly mystical. I made for it at once and found it to be part of some wonderful new buildings which the North-Western University is putting up near the lake.

The lake! That is what will make Chicago beautiful. Only of late has the city begun to realise what Lake Michigan may mean to her.

To the north you can already walk or drive out, within a few minutes from the centre, into a delightful park which lies alongside the water for miles. It is one of a system of parks all around the city which has, I believe, no equal.

Another Princess Street.

When the shore in front of the best street, Michigan-avenue, is made into a park, this will be as fine a street as can be found anywhere. It will be like Princess-street, Edinburgh, in having only one side to it; in place of the Castle Rock and gardens it will have great stretches of lawn, with trees and shrubs and flowers, and then the wavelets and the vast expanse of an inland sea sixty miles across.

Even now, with the pillared front and graceful wings of the Field Museum at one end and the marvellous Stadium behind it, showing colonnades high up against the sky, this part of the lake front leaves an unforgettable impression.

At the other end the eye is drawn to the Tribune Tower and the new University buildings, and in a faint haze the high hotels and clubs and office buildings on Michigan-avenue have an air of distinction. They are beautiful, and this is only a beginning, I am assured.

Well, seeing what changes have been made in the last twenty years, I can believe that anything may happen in the next twenty.

The latest addition to the palatial hotels of Chicago is one which promises three thousand rooms with three thousand baths. Next

GERMANY'S SPY SYSTEM!

REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN RESTORED.

London, December 29.—The arrest in Paris of a man named Stranders, an alleged spy, is noteworthy for the close co-operation between Scotland Yard and the French Police.

A special branch of Scotland Yard, which had been for some time interested in the movements of Stranders, eventually communicated with the French Police with whom they have since been working in the closest co-operation.

Stranders is an ex-territorial officer. He received a commission as equipment officer in the Air Force during war-time and served in the Inter-Allied Aeronautical commission of Control in Germany from 1910 to 1922.

Eventually he settled in Düsseldorf and later in Berlin as an importing agent.

Mysterious Dr. Weber.

Paris, December 29.—The newspapers state that nothing compromising has been found on Stranders, who declares that he is the victim of private vengeance.

A mysterious Dr. Weber is mentioned in connection with the case who, according to the newspapers, is the head of the German espionage organisation.

A reference notebook found in his hotel is alleged to contain designs of air engines.

Stranders is reported to have said that the information he collected was merely mechanical and not of military interest.

Wanted in Britain.

Interviewed by a representative of the *Petit Parisien*, Maitre Germain, who will be counsel for the defence when Stranders is tried, is reported to have said that one main fact had emerged from the affair, namely, that Germany was restoring her pre-war system of espionage.

The *Matin* states that the British authorities have applied for the extradition of Stranders, who is alleged to have attempted to obtain information of aviation secrets in Great Britain as well as France.

SINGAPORE TRAM- WAYS.

TROLLEY BUSES TO BE EX- TENDED IN MARCH.

The manager of the Singapore tramways told a Press representative in an interview last week of the progress made in the transformation of the system. Although to the general public the progress may have seemed slow it is pleasing to realise that out of a total of nineteen miles, by next March about eleven miles will have been completed.

A certain portion of the Tanjong Pagar and the South Bridge Road route had already been finished, and has been found to be beneficial from many points of view. Several traffic problems have already been solved as a result. Ricksha coolies, who hitherto needed the strict supervision of the police, now automatically keep to the side of the road. The service is much faster than hitherto and can now compete with the buses.

The next route to be dealt with will be that from Tank Road to Koppel Harbour, which is one of the longest stretches, and besides covers a very important area. It is hoped that this will be completed by next March, leaving only Serangoon Road and the remainder of South Bridge Road and North Bridge Road to be completed.

South Bridge Road.

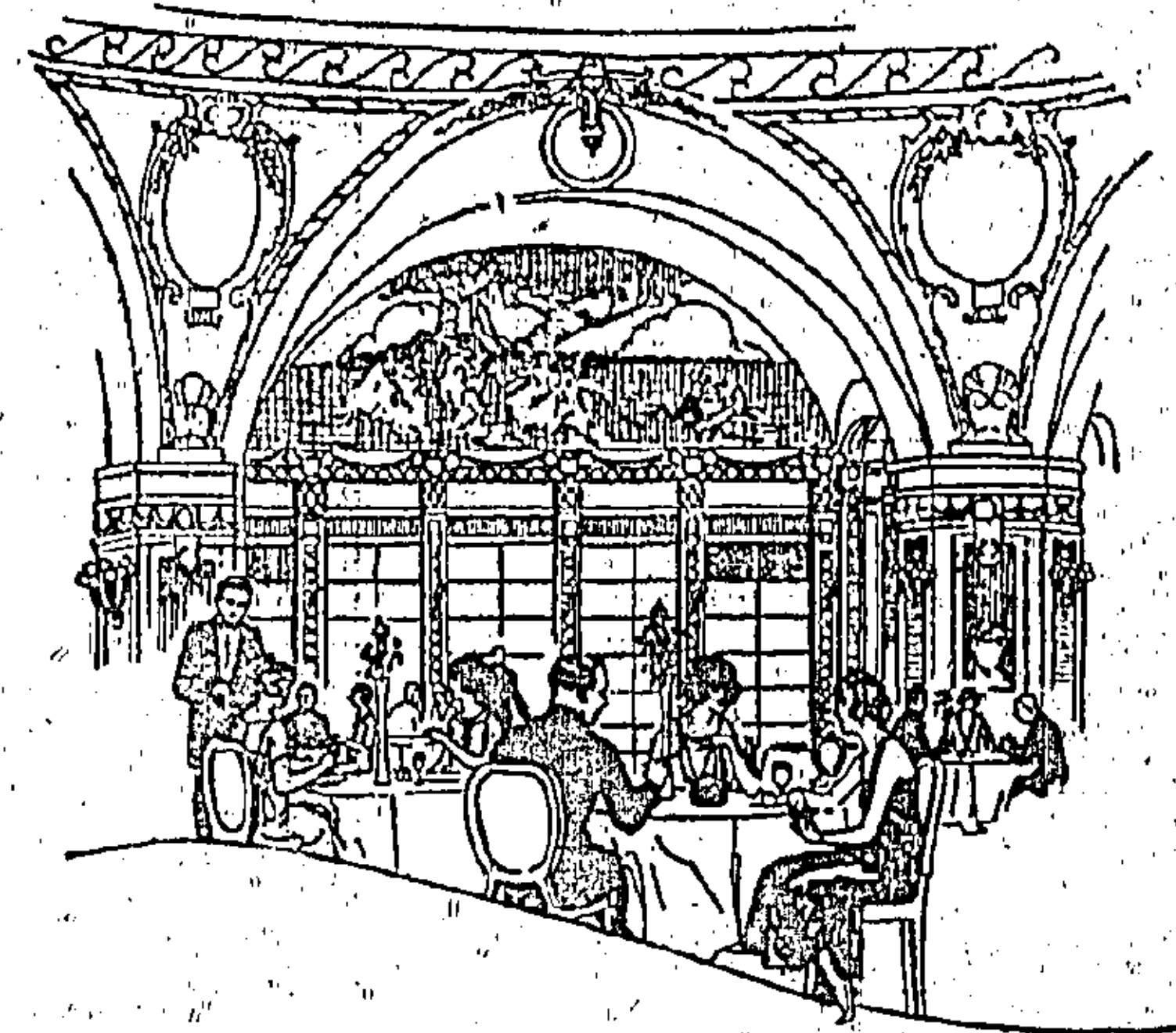
With regard to South Bridge Road rapid progress is already being made. So as to allow the Commissioner to rebuild the road the metals are already being removed. The reconstruction of Elgin Bridge, however, will hold up that route for some time.

The time allowed for the completion of the transformation is until October, 1928, but it is hoped that by the middle of that year, perhaps earlier, the whole system will be working.

So far the trolley buses have proved a great success. Not only are the poorer classes using them freely, but many more first class passengers are being booked. The success of the scheme seems assured.

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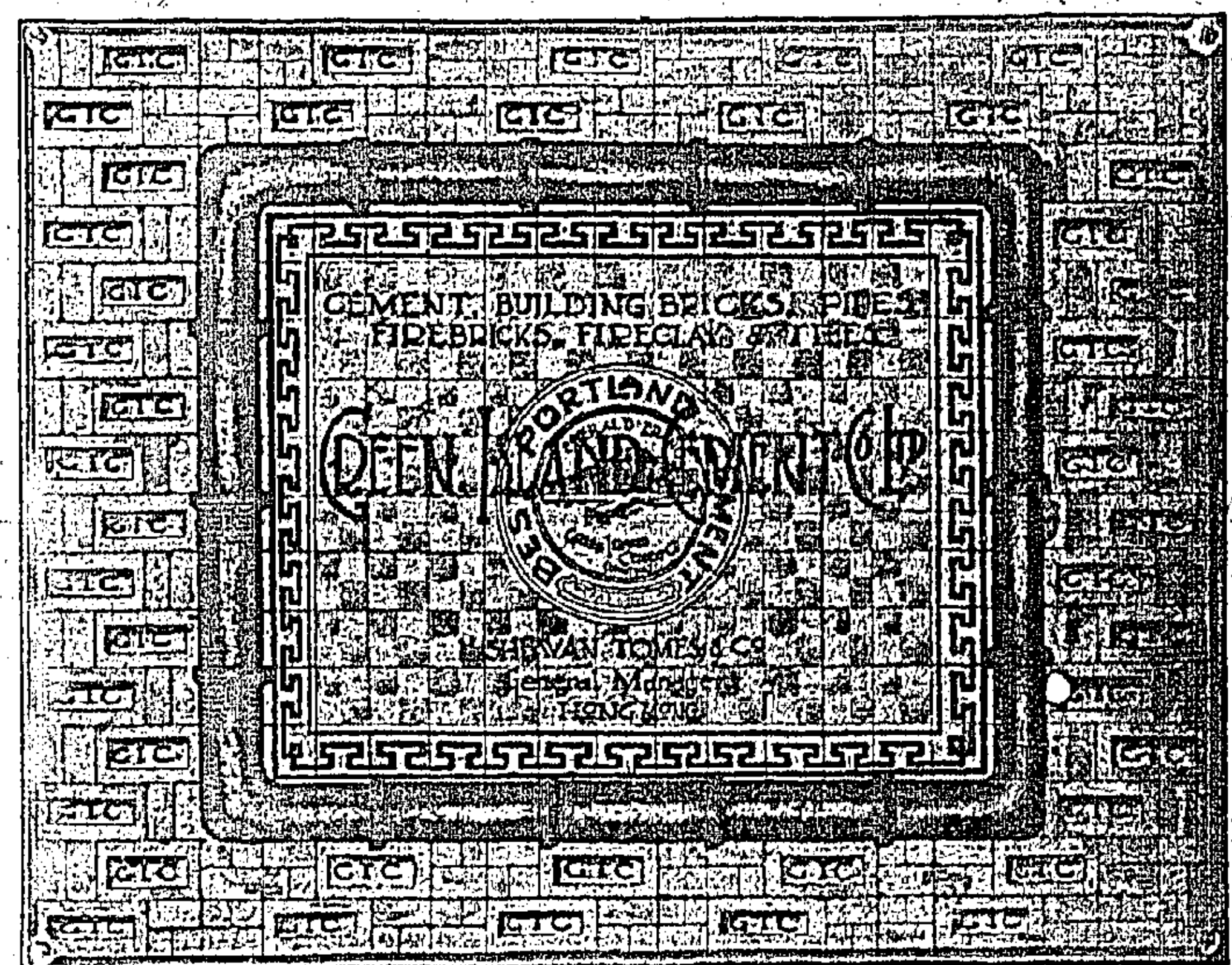
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Lord Birkenhead's recent speech on modern surgery has focused attention upon a small London hospital which, almost unknown to the general public, enjoys among surgeons a world-wide reputation for the brilliance and importance of its work.

Of this hospital, St. Peter's, Henrietta-street, Covent Garden, it can truly be said that they make young men out of old.

Its particular form of rejuvenation is the operation known as prostatectomy, which was here originated by the late Sir Peter Frey, and is now practised in every surgical centre of the world.

Before Frey's discovery at St. Peter's, death was the only release from the painful malady of the enlarged prostate gland. The first subject of operation, a man of 69, made a complete recovery, and lived in excellent health until he was 83, when he died from heart trouble.

Lived To 101.

"On the average, this operation adds 20 years to the life of the patient," an official of the hospital told a *Daily Chronicle* reporter. "One of our occasional visitors is a man of 96, whom we successfully treated three years ago. He is in excellent health now."

"Another of our patients lived to be 101. He was operated upon at the age of 91, and recovered robust health after his many years of invalidism."

"Strangely enough, he died as the result of an accident, falling while walking in his garden and fracturing some ribs. Many elderly and old men come to us from all parts of the world for treatment."

Apart from the operation of prostatectomy, St. Peter's is the home of other forms of research and treatment. In recent times notable advance has been made in renal and stone surgery.

World Fame.

To study its technique surgeons from all countries visit the little hospital, the average number of overseas medical visitors being between 800 and 900 every year.

Although acclaimed a gem in the world of surgery, St. Peter's has worked for years under growing financial strain. To-day there are at least three operable patients waiting for every available bed—each case urgent and becoming more serious by delay.

To enable this rich humanitarian work, and research of world-wide importance, to continue unfettered, an appeal for £50,000 has been launched.

PRIVATE POLICE.

PROTECTION AGAINST PARIS BURGLARS.

Paris, December 10.—For some time there has existed in Paris an organisation to which many of the richer householders in the more fashionable residential districts have subscribed. Its object is to supplement the activities of the regular police force by a service of night watchmen, who are supposed to protect the house of the subscribers from burglary.

These houses are marked with little enamelled plates, rather like those which used to be fixed to houses by insurance companies, but perhaps, rather more discreet. The elderly gentlemen who carry out this guardianship over the property of the wealthy—they are generally retired members of the real police—presumably confine their attention strictly to the houses which bear the hall-mark, and one can imagine them fulfilling their duty by inviting the burglar to try next door instead. On the other hand, the presence of the sign-plates must be a useful indication to burglars of the houses where there is something worth taking.

Whatever may be the objections to the system, they evidently have not prevented a movement for its extension, and the official announcement of this movement is backed by the rather surprising approval of the Prefect of Police himself—surprising because the proposal can hardly be said to argue an excessive confidence in the measures already taken by the public authorities for the protection of property. The jewellers, furriers, and other large shopkeepers of Paris have decided to take measures for the constant

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY.

SYNTHESIS OF THYROXIN.

Thyroxin, the hormone produced by the thyroid gland, has been synthesized.

Such is the brief summary of one of the most remarkable feats of organic chemistry ever accomplished in this country. The thyroid gland, which lies in the neck, is one of several which pour secretions, necessary for normal life into the blood. A number of these secretions, including, of course, insulin, have been obtained in forms which are of value in medicine. But only two, those of the adrenals and the thyroid, have so far been obtained pure. Adrenaline was isolated twenty-five years ago, and made synthetically in 1904. It finds a considerable use for checking haemorrhage and controlling certain types of asthma and nettle-rash. The synthetic product competes successfully with that origination in the slaughterhouse.

Feeding with thyroid gland or its extracts is the only treatment available when the human thyroid is absent or functions badly, and has saved many from death and many more from idiosyncrasy and stunted growth. But the amount of the active principle contained in such extracts varied greatly, and where a dose of one batch might be correct, the same dose of another was often too strong or too weak.

15 Tons Among The Human Race.

In 1917 Dr. Kendall, of the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn. U.S.A., isolated from the thyroid a crystalline substance of immense potency which he called thyroxin. Half an ounce of this substance would keep a man without a thyroid gland normal for seventy-five years. The entire human race possesses about fifteen tons of it in their bodies. But to get an ounce of it Kendall had to use three tons of thyroid glands, and it was therefore only available in very small quantities, and somewhat more expensive than diamonds.

In 1925 Dr. C. R. Harrington, in the laboratories of University College Hospital, devised a method of obtaining this substance in a much greater yield than Kendall, and threw considerable light on its structure.

Now, in conjunction with Professor George Barger, F.R.S., of Edinburgh, he has accomplished the complete synthesis. It is understood that the material from which it was synthesised were condenser products and iodine, but a full account of the synthesis is promised in the near future. The synthetic thyroxin has been tested on human subjects and found to be as effective as that obtained from the gland.

Years Of Experiments.

Organic chemists all the world over have been attempting this synthesis ever since 1917, and it is no secret that Dr. Harrington spent several years in fruitless attempts before his final success. In view of the large demand for thyroxin there is no doubt that the synthetic product will find a market, and incidentally the Chicago meat factories will lose one of their side-lines.

It is not known whether the process of manufacture will be patented, as in the case of insulin. One may venture to hope that the sale of thyroxin will be properly controlled. It is quite active when taken by the mouth, and a dose of a quarter of a grain will double the pulse-rate for a week or more, while prolonged overdosage would be fatal.

Apart from its medical and commercial value, this discovery marks a great step forward in biochemistry, being a successful imitation of a highly complicated process which goes forward in the living cell. It raises hopes of the eventual synthesis of insulin, a far harder task, but one which would be of even greater value, if accomplished.

supervision of their establishments, and both the Municipal Council and the Prefect of Police have agreed to co-operate with them with a view to creating a special force for this purpose.

Already a colonel, formerly in command of the Republican Guard, has been placed at the head of it, and the Prefect of Police has announced that he will give such assistance in recruiting the personnel that the public may be assured of "all the necessary guarantees," while it is undertaken that no part of the cost of the organisation shall fall upon public funds. It now only remains for the subscriptions to come in.

WAS SHAKESPEARE A SCHOOLMASTER?

STORY OF HIS TEACHING.

That Shakespeare's knowledge of Latin and Greek and his familiarity with the habits of schoolboys was gained from his experience as a country schoolmaster, is the theory advanced in last month's *Education Outlook*.

It is recalled that "the old gossip, John Aubrey, among much dubious tradition about butchers' blocks, poaching, whippings and the terrors of the law," said of Shakespeare, that though he had "little Latin and less Greek, he understood Latin pretty well, for he had been in his younger years a schoolmaster in the country."

Shakespeare's early plays, it is recorded, show intimate technical acquaintance with school textbooks and a shrewd knowledge of schoolboys, and they abound in familiar tags, quotations and allusions.

Let us then imagine Shakespeare as for some years teaching in a country school; making acquaintance in his leisure hours with the masters of English poetry; acquiring a thorough grounding in the best of Latin culture, Ovid, Horace, Virgil, Terence, Plautus, Seneca, and by these means securing the training that was necessary to prepare him for his sudden emergence as the chief poet of the English Renaissance.

£12,000,000 LOST.

COAL STOPPAGE COST TO STEEL WORKERS.

Presiding at the annual meeting of the Cargo Fleet Iron Company, Ltd., at Middlesbrough, Lord Furness said that it was estimated that the loss incurred in standing and other charges by the company as a result of the coal stoppage exceeded £60,000, without taking into consideration the loss of profit.

He estimated that the coal dispute had involved a direct loss in wages to the men employed in the iron and steel industry of £12,000,000.

Sir Alfred Mond, M.P., presiding at the annual meeting of the Amalgamated Anthracite Collieries' Ltd., in London, said that the 8½ months cost stoppage had resulted in the loss of £500,000 in wages to their men.



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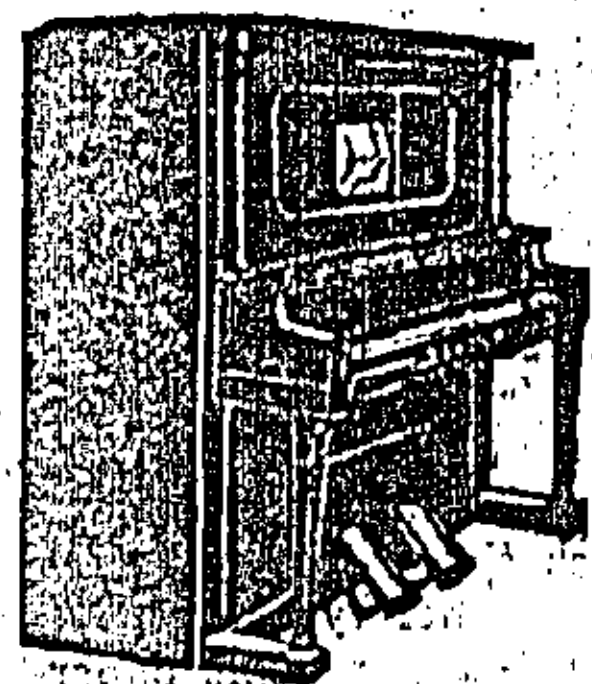
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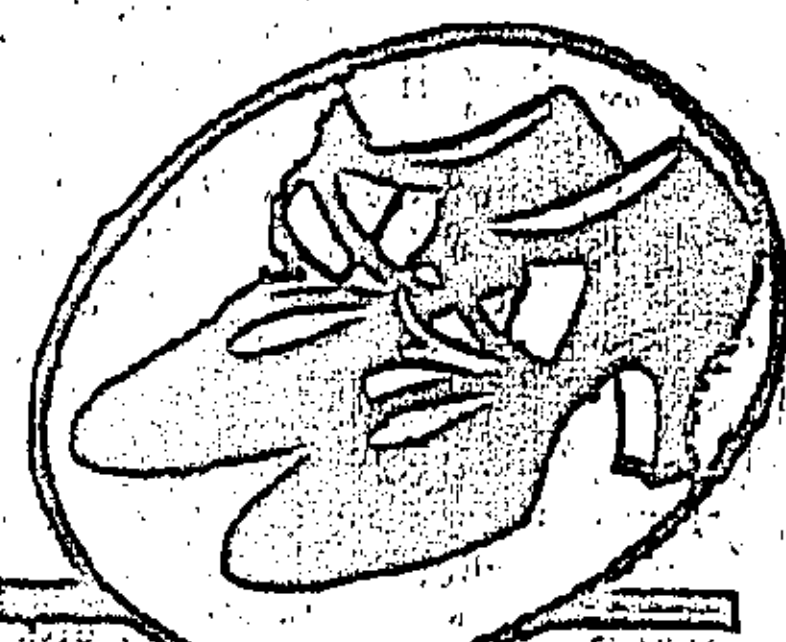
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ROUTE MARCH.

THE VOLUNTEERS ON
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Considerable interest was taken in the route marches undertaken yesterday by a detachment of Marines and Sailors and the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

The naval men, who marched through the city to West Point and back again, started off at 4.30 headed by two bands and impressed the many sightseers with their smart bearing.

The Volunteer Defence Corps paraded at 6.15 and a quarter of an hour later commenced a march to the Wanchai district. Over two hundred were on parade, and quite a number of people assembled to witness them pass by.

The H. K. and S. R. A. also paraded and went on a route march through Kowloon districts.

BIG BLAZE IN JAPAN.

DESTRUCTION OF SIX
HUNDRED HOUSES.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.—Six hundred houses have been destroyed by a fire which broke out at Kobayashi, a town adjoining Wiyazaki city, in Kyushu, this afternoon, including the police station, railway office, banks, and business houses. Refugees are suffering from the cold. No casualties are reported.—Reuter.

COTTON-SPINNING
CONTROL.

ASSOCIATION ALREADY HAS
LARGE FOLLOWING.

London, Jan. 28.—The organising Committee of the Cotton Yarn Association states that owners of over 17,000,000 spindles have now joined the Association, which now only requires further support from the owners of 1,800,000 spindles to enable it to start functioning.—Reuter.

FIGHT WITH LION.

BRITISH TROOPER MAULED.

Bulawayo, Rhodesia.—Trooper Hoare, of the British South Africa Police, has just had a terrific struggle with a lion in the wildest area of the Maseru district.

The lion was wounded and mauled the trooper. It was a hand-to-hand tussle, in which the man discharged shot after shot from his revolver into the beast. With the last bullet the lion relaxed its grip and fell dead.

Hoare is recovering after treatment by a missionary, Dr. Lawrence, who travelled 160 miles by car and on foot to attend him.

YOUR ILL-HUMOUR

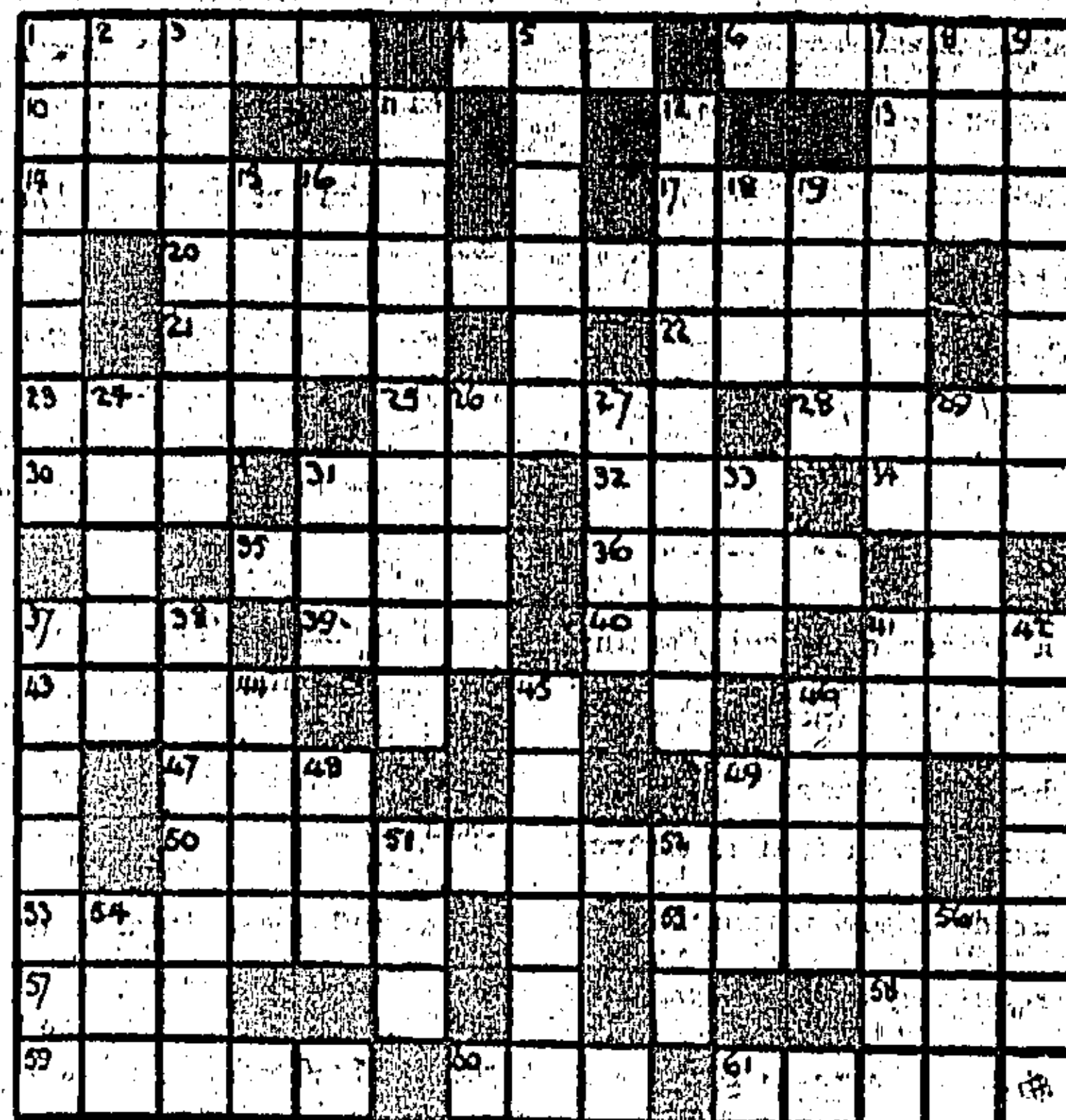
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10. Canvas covering.
11. Numerous.
12. Ethereal fluid.
13. Wild plum.
14. Fix.
15. Personal gossip.
16. Cavity.
17. Organ of hearing.
18. Old.
19. Tennyson's heroine.
20. Ether.
21. Donkey.
22. Snake.
23. Insect.
24. Peruse.
25. Pealed.
26. Starting place (Golf).
27. Fifth note of scale.
28. Earthly.
29. Chain of hills.
30. Aggravation.
31. French square measure.
32. Sun up.
33. Instruction in music.
34. Remains after fire.
35. Son of God.

Down.

1. Loud noises.
2. Thing.
3. Shooting out.
4. Spatter.
5. Support.
6. Even (poetical).
7. Early colonist.

Quality of being spiny.

Breast plates.

Jenksy.

Evening.

Fish eggs.

Taverna.

Eagle's nest.

Vulgar persons.

Frank.

Like ants.

Turkish commander.

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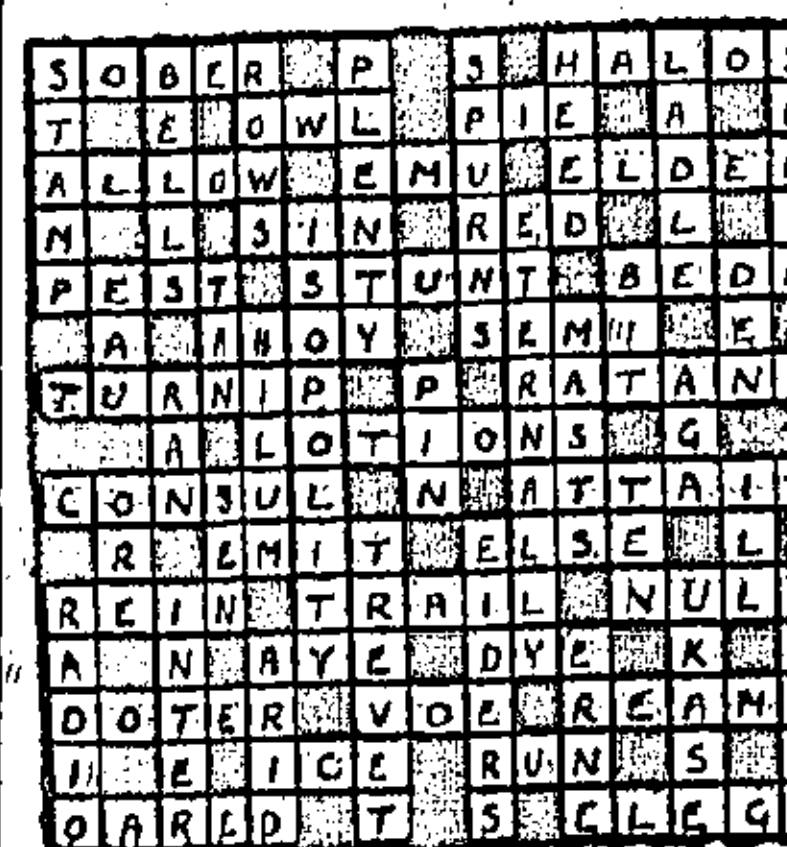
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Not me.

Yesterday's Puzzle.



BRITISH PROPOSALS.

A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW.

Rugby, Jan. 28.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Amery, reviewing the Chinese problem last night, recalled that Treaty privileges in China had not represented a mere imposition of western selfishness upon defenceless China, but were also a protection method whereby European trade could be conducted under tolerable conditions for European traders.

Under that regime, great cities have sprung up, not only as a tribute to British and foreign enterprise, but also as an example to the Chinese in developing their own municipal systems on modern lines. Nevertheless, from the viewpoint of growing national feeling, many of these privileges were now anomalous, and certainly wounding to Chinese susceptibilities.

The British Government had taken the initiative in advocating a more liberal policy towards Chinese aspirations, and of endeavouring to meet them in every possible direction. Expected modifications of the present Treaty position were so far reaching and so generous, and so considerate of Chinese susceptibilities as would be seen when they were published—that it was impossible—to conceive their

being rejected by any section in China that was influenced only by regard for the welfare of China, and regard for the national sentiments of China.

If they were rejected, it could only be because those objecting to them were influenced not by any considerations arising from the state of affairs in China itself, but by extraneous influences.

The motive with which the British Government was sending a division of troops to Shanghai was not for the purpose of making war on China or in China, nor was the Defence Force sent with any idea of influencing the discussions.

"The only reason for its despatch is the definite and limited purpose of protecting the lives and persons of the large British communities at certain centres, and particularly in Shanghai."

If China were within a few miles of Britain, we might well afford to wait until the menace were actually up against Shanghai, but as it was an immense distance, and compelled precautionary measures now, which he sincerely hoped would never be actually required.

Negotiations were meanwhile being conducted without any regard either to the military situation or to recent incidents, but purely on the merits of policy itself.

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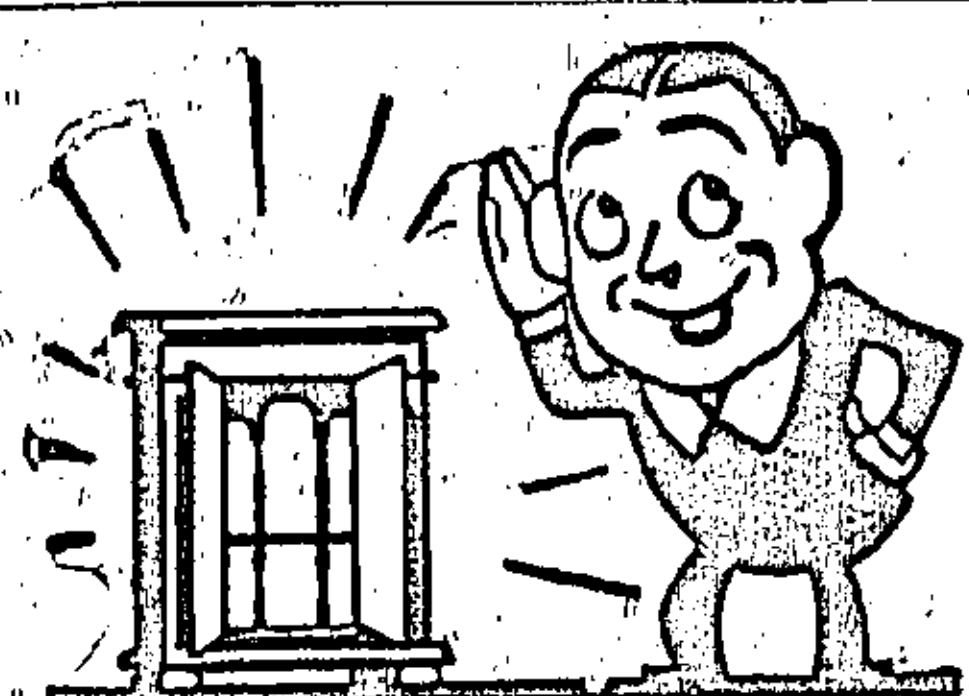
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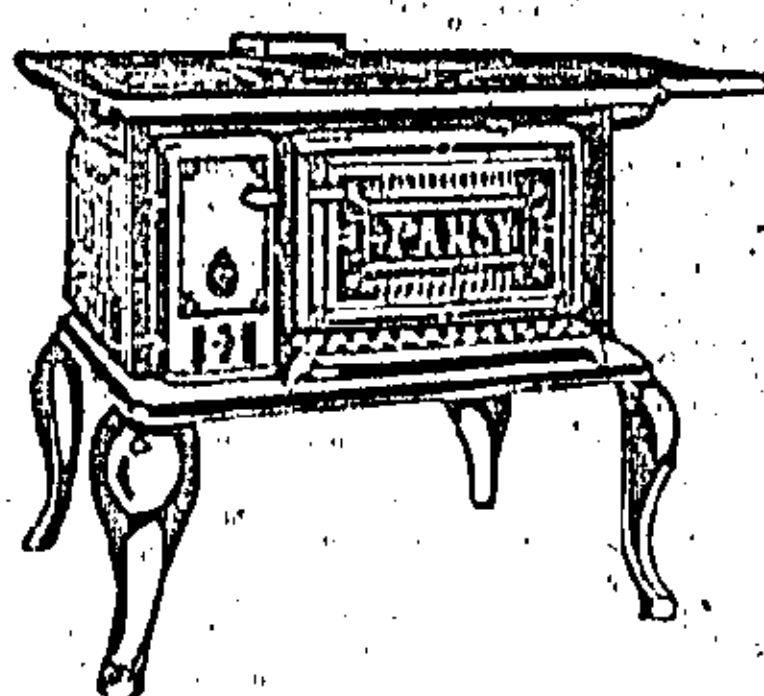
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ATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 1927.

EDUCATION'S AIM.

In view of the great amount of unrest prevalent among all classes in China, there will be general satisfaction at the words of admonition which His Excellency the Governor saw fit to address to the students of Queen's College yesterday, at the annual speech day and prize distribution. It was largely on account of the lead given by striking school students in June of 1925 that this Colony suffered the disastrous train of events which led up to the declaration of a boycott, for, with characteristic "follow-my-leader" procedure, the workers of the various establishments did as others were then doing. His Excellency rightly urged that school boys have no place in contentious politics and that their duty is to study. His very plain speaking, both to students and parents, ought to be productive of much thought and lead to nothing but greater discretion of action.

That Queen's College is performing a very valuable work is amply illustrated by the lengthy and most interesting report of its Headmaster, Mr. A. H. Crook, and the soundness of the education provided can be measured by the soundness of the school's defection. The vast majority of the boys at the College are Chinese and it is inevitable that the recreational and moral influences with which they come in contact while at school will have a permanent effect upon them. It cannot be too often emphasised that the Government of Hongkong is providing, by means of its Government schools and also its grants to other comparable institutions, hundreds of Chinese youths with a first-class education which otherwise, they would never be able to procure. This Colony, although it has not yet solved the problem of instituting compulsory and free education, as in Britain, has no reason to feel anything other than proud of its contribution to the great work of educating the youth of China on modern lines.

There has long since been a division of opinion regarding the nature of the education which should be given to Chinese youths in schools such as Queen's College, some educationists being opposed to the kind of instruction which they claim tends to "uproot" a Chinese

from his native environment and habits of thought. It has been argued that instruction to a Chinese should be in Chinese, and should aim at making him a good Chinese. We think that Mr. Crook, the Headmaster, put the aims of Queen's College very succinctly yesterday when he said that the aim was twofold: firstly, to teach those elements of language and its structure and of number and calculation on which social communications are based and social intercourse made possible; and, secondly, so to guide students that when they later learn to appreciate higher things they will become imbued only with those influences from their own and our literature which mellow and mould and inspire. To paraphrase Mr. Crook, the College aims at teaching the three R's and through them the elementary virtues, leaving the second great aim of education—the making of better men and women—to be a matter of growth extending right through life. And no-one could have read Mr. Crook's peroration without catching something of the fine spirit that is behind the College's direction and which stands at the back of all education. As the poet pictures it, in the beautiful words quoted yesterday, when the foolish have been made wise the nations of the earth will blend in one great confederacy in the quest of Beauty—the vision unto which, through all vicissitudes, tolls the indomitable world. So long as that high aim and purpose dominates and inspires those of this Colony who are in charge of our educational institutions, we need have no fears of the future.

Kwangtung Unrest.

Various reports recently coming to hand regarding the possibility of trouble in Southern Kwangtung would appear to be confirmed from the news, emanating from our Pukhoi correspondent, which we published yesterday. Seemingly, groups of disbanded troops have provided a real problem for the local authorities, with the result that the latter have been compelled to make overtures to these folk, promising them official posts. All appears to have gone well until the disarming of the soldiers was insisted upon, and when our correspondent sent off his news, fighting had broken out between the two factions. The whole of Southern Kwangtung is said to be overrun with robbers, and, in the circumstances, it is little wonder that the people are apprehensive of serious trouble, inasmuch as the authorities are apparently unable to control the situation. It is when we read news of this character that we realise how much more real progress has to be made in China before anything approaching peace and security is attained. The Nationalists have had a wonderful opportunity of making a model province of Kwangtung, but, instead of setting their hands to the work which lay at their doors, they have seen fit to embark on military adventures which, so far, have had little other result than to spread internal disturbances and to lead to serious anti-foreign outbreaks. All China's troubles with the Powers could be quickly adjusted if there arose some authority capable of controlling the major part of the country. That much-to-be-desired development has yet to be reached, and the disturbances now occurring in the Pukhoi district provide yet another illustration of the point that Nationalist power is not complete even in the South.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Jan. 28.
Paris	125.1/18
Buenos Aires	34.88
Amsterdam	12.44 1/2
Berlin	20.47
Copenhagen	38.21
Vienna	34.40 1/2
Helsinki	192 1/2
Lisbon	217/32
Rio	5.27/32
Bombay	1/6 3/4
New York	2/0 1/2
Geneva	485.1/18
Milan	113 1/2
Stockholm	18.13
Oslo	18.84
Prague	106
Madrid	23.82 1/2
Algeria	27 1/2
Buenos Aires	369 1/2
Shanghai	46.15/32
Yokohama	2/0 5/12
Silver (spot)	28 1/2
Silver (forward)	28 1/2

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

IT IS THE BEAUTIFUL NECESSITY OF OUR NATURE TO LOVE SOMETHING. —Douglas Jerrold.

The B. I. steamer Talamba left Moji on Friday and is due here on the 31st instant.

The annual meeting of shareholders and subscribers will be held in the Cathedral Hall on Monday, 31st inst.

Messrs. N. Lazarus, the well-known opticians, have issued an effective leather matchbox holder, with a patent release arrangement.

Yesterday's health return shows two British cases of typhoid, one of which was imported, and one Chinese case of puerperal fever.

The name of Mr. H. M. Muir, C.A., has been added to the list of auditors qualified for the purposes of the Companies Ordinances.

It is advertised that the Exchange Banks will be closed to the transaction of public business on Wednesday and Thursday, February 2 and 3.

The name of Dr. Eva To Tung, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the University of Hongkong, has been added to the list of local medical practitioners.

It is notified that the names of the China National Tobacco Company, Limited, and the Nam King Restaurant, Limited, have been struck off the Register.

Mr. A. L. Shields has been bitten by a dog owned by Ho Yung, of No. 6, Peak Road. The animal has been removed to the depot at Kennedy Town.

The annual ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., will be held at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday, February 12, at 11 a.m.

The offices of the China Coast Officers' Guild and Marine Engineers' Guild of China will be situated at 3rd Floor, Stephens' Building, 67 Des Voeux Road Central, as from February 1.

The death has occurred in Manila of Mr. J. G. Lawrence, junr., of the legal firm of Ross, Lawrence and Selph. The deceased succumbed to malignant malaria.

On the pretence of looking at a cubicle, a well-dressed Chinese gained entrance to a house in the city, and, snatching a gold watch and chain from the principal tenant, escaped.

A boatman fell into the water from a junk at Kennedy Town yesterday, and was crushed to death between the junk and the seawall. The remains were removed to the Mortuary.

His Excellency the Governor has granted the local rank of Captain to Lieutenant Charles Henry Steele, M.C., R.A.R.O., the Royal Irish Fusiliers, A.D.C., with effect from 18th November, 1925.

Mrs. Durica M. Wilkinson, of Hongkong, with two of her daughters and son, have had the privilege of an audience with His Holiness the Pope. The party is now touring the Continent and is later to visit England.

Four men have been arrested by the police in connection with the armed robbery at Che Wo Street. Fifty dollars, worth of the property stolen has been recovered from the arrested men.

The Offices of the Supreme Court are to be open daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Saturday when they will be open from 10 a.m. to 12 noon during the Chinese New Year Vacation, except on Public and General Holidays, when the offices will be entirely closed. The Chinese New Year Vacation commences on the 2nd February and terminates on the 6th February, 1927, (both days inclusive).

Rudolph Valentino is now appearing at the Queen's Theatre in "A Sainted Devil," a picture which shows him in the role of a lover distracted by the abduction of his beautiful wife on their wedding day. There are some remarkably good scenes in this film, which is also noteworthy for powerful acting by Valentino, Helen D'Algy, Nita Naldi, Louise Legrange and Dagmar Gadoway. Those who like romance, with ample thrills, should see this picture, which is being shown for the last time to-day.

MODERN ROMANTIC READING.

Some Thoughts on Best Sellers.

Stranger, here lies that one time "modern" world.

The speed at which we live in these days, may be as a snail's crawl compared to that of the future, and even now occasions surprise, but the fact that for some time there has been, in the Colony, a novel which includes a detailed description of the late general strike in England, and a clear picture of many of the foregoing events to that dramatic chapter, should not pass without comment.

"Young Anarchy," by Sir Philip Gibbs, gives a clear picture of the six months previous to last May, and brings the succeeding months of trial to your own fireside as a background to another picture of these young people of the modern world. All the difficult questions of discipline and freedom in home life, and in public duty, in labour, and in that most difficult art—the right use of capital—are painted in perfect proportion. Whether he wrote the book before the main event of the general strike, and was thus so sure of his ground, and his future that the manuscript needed only the last few chapters to complete it in May, he does not tell us.

Great changes are taking place in modern novel writing, and the public has so much from which to select, that in successful novels, and best sellers, surely lies a key to the much discussed changes of national character. If Jane Austen truly portrayed her chosen type of English country life, she set out with that definite object, and in the romantic school of to-day's writers of novels, there is the same effort to select a type, and sketch it without exaggeration. The trouble with the critics is that they refuse to state "this is a picture of such and such a type," and either praise its accuracy, or condemn its faults; their cry is inevitably:—"Here is another novel dealing with the license of modern life; while we admit its truth, we turn with relief, to a book of essays by etc." Surely the subject matter is open to the decision and selection of the reading public, and the critic's work is to test the treatment, and decide its worth.

In a short list of present best sellers of the moment, under fiction are: Galsworthy's "The Silver Spoon," Arnold Bennett's "Lord Rainsford," O'Flaherty's "Mr. Gilhooley," and Stella Benson's "Goodbye, Stranger." The latter authoress was lately described as one of the four greatest women writers of the world, though her output is all too small. She can almost be described as a local celebrity, since she now has her home in North China, and many Hongkong people will remember her visit here some years ago.

For the grown-up, there are six distinct groups of modern romantic reading, each containing so many volumes that any ardent reader could confine himself, or the study of any one of them and scarce keep up with new-comers, and entertain the old. Twenty years ago the feminine devotee of Charles Garvice followed exactly that plan of devouring each new volume superscribed with his name, and turning back impatiently, on its completion, to something he published before her adolescence.

MORE ROBBERIES.

ANOTHER ONE CAUGHT.

Armed robbers who entered No. 338, Des Voeux Road West, yesterday, were disturbed, on the point of opening a safe, by the unexpected return of a folk of the shop. Abandoning the job, they rushed, pell-mell, through the doorway, almost knocking down the coolie in their anxiety to escape. However, the folk chased the gang and he caught one of them in On Ning Lane.

OTHER CASES.

During the confusion occasioned by the fire yesterday morning on the waterfront, premises nearby were entered by thieves who succeeded in breaking open a safe and stole from it jewellery and money to the value of \$1,606. A report was made to the police by Mr. Chung Kam-po, the manager of the firm victimized.

Thieves also entered a house in Jorvis Street yesterday and removed money and jewellery amounting to \$1,977.

FATAL COLLIER EXPLOSION.

IN KENT'S NEW COALFIELD.

London, Jan. 28. Four men were killed and eleven injured in an explosion which took place to-day in the colliery at Catterhapper, near Deal.

The colliery is part of the new coalfield which is being developed in Kent.—British Wireless.

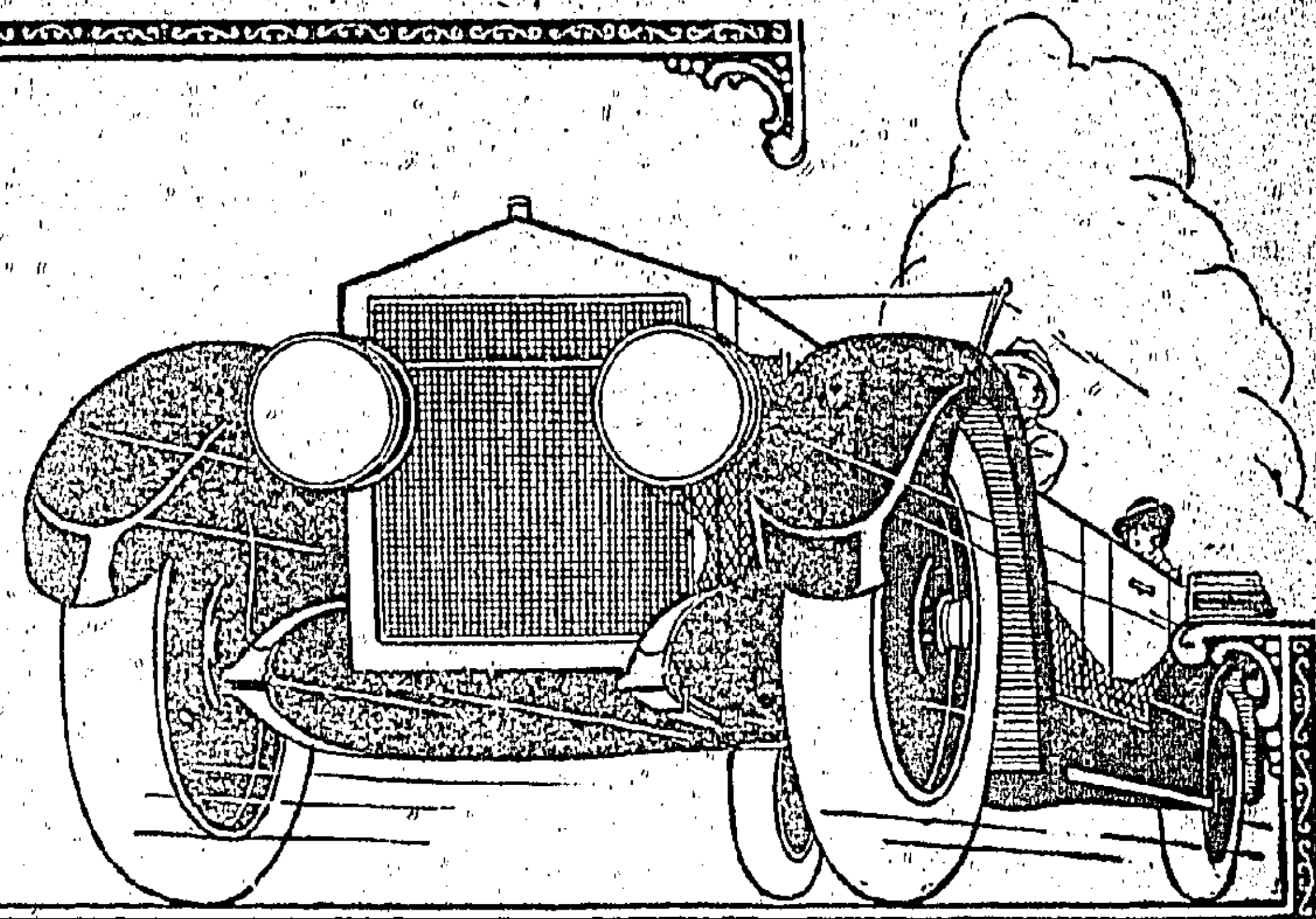
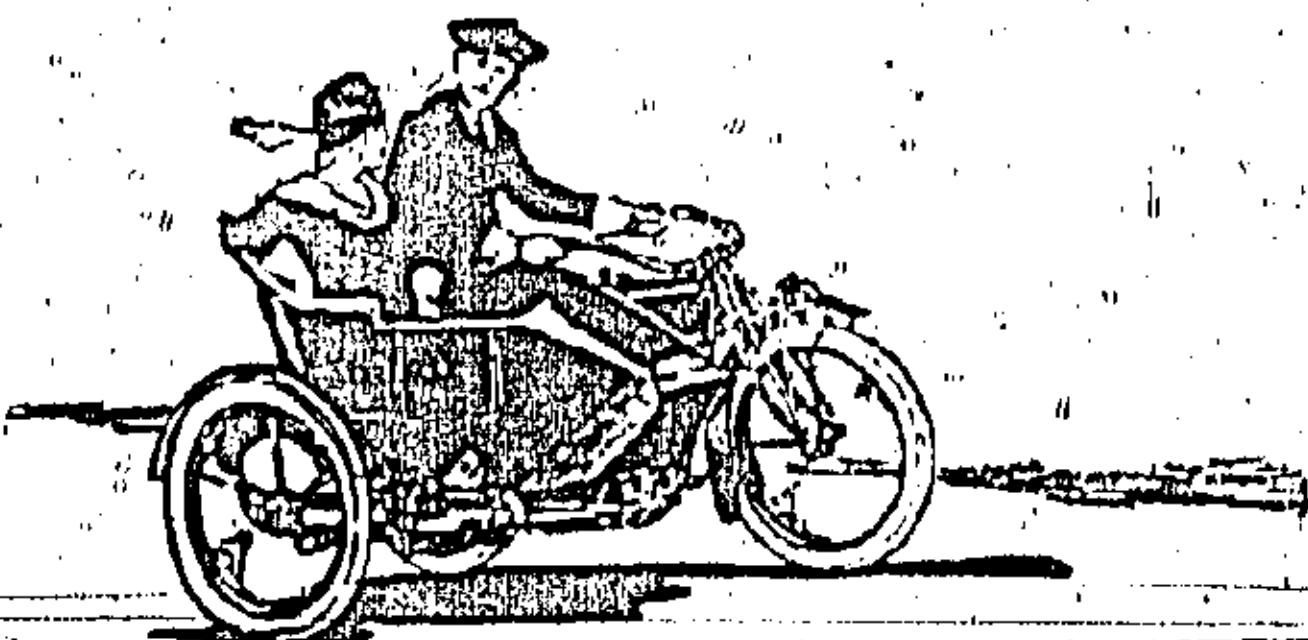
BIG CONTRACT.

SECURED BY BRITISH FIRM.

London, Jan. 28. According to the *Industrial News* the London firm of Perry and Company have secured a contract for port works for the Belgian Government valued nominally at £250,000 and covering an extension of the port of Matadi and the construction of a new port at Angoango, in the Congo.—British Wireless.

MOTORING SUPPLEMENT

OF
THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.
SATURDAY, 29th JANUARY, 1927.
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CURRENT COMMENT

H.K.A.A. Dinner.

The first Dinner Dance organized by the Hongkong Automobile Association proved most successful, so much so, that it will doubtless prove the forerunner of other social functions. The Hon. Mr. D.G.M. Bernard, President of the Association, did well to take advantage of the occasion to draw the attention of motorists to the aims and work of the Committee, although the majority of private owners do appreciate the assistance rendered by the already large membership. It is indeed fortunate that the Association's affairs are managed by such a competent Committee while the choice of Honorary Secretaries has indeed been happy. The Rev. Upsell, the present Secretary, has his hands full with the ever increasing work, but even so, he is ever ready to listen to suggestions from members, or carry out any task which has as its aim the betterment of motoring conditions in the Colony.

Kowloon's Buses.

Another bus has arrived for service in Kowloon. This is the first of the Leylands which are on order, and is known as the Leyland "Lion." The trial run which was held during the week proved most successful. The Officials who attended expressing their satisfaction of both the engine performance and the general equipment and accommodation.

Control Reflectors.

Glass reflectors have been fitted to the controls in Garden Road below the entrance to St. John's Cathedral and above the junction of Upper Albert Road. Stubbs Road near Magazine Cap has also received attention in this respect. This system has been generally adopted in the British Isles and is said to give good and fool-proof warnings to motorists driving after dark.

A Good Suggestion.

Since the Dinner Dance was held, many have been the expressions of approval and satisfaction from those who attended, and the suggestion which appeared in a contemporary that the next function should be held at Repulse Bay Hotel, is worthy of consideration. One member of the Association has suggested to us that not only would an imposing procession be provided were members to motor to Repulse Bay for a Dinner Dance, but that a fancy dress function with decorated cars would provide a notable and spectacular event for the Colony. The idea is certainly merits consideration, and if given wholehearted support would indeed provide a novel and attractive event. In the meantime, with the possibilities of introducing such desirable social events in the social life of Hongkong, it behooves every owner-driver who has not joined the Association to send his name into the Honorary Secretary for a membership form.

Traffic Control.

The new scheme of training for traffic police is well in hand, a number of men having been selected who are now undergoing training at the Police Training School. When they have completed their work, they will be required to demonstrate their efficiency before the Hon. C.S.F. The men will be placed on the most

important traffic points in the central district, those in view at the moment being—Lower Albert Road and Garden Road, Queen's Road Central and Garden Road, Queen's Road Central and Lee House Street, Queen's Road Central and Pedder Street, Des Voeux Road Central and Pedder Street, Des Voeux Road Central and Lee House Street, and Jackson Road, and Star Ferry. It is proposed that these traffic constables shall wear a distinctive armband. In the past, there have been many complaints regarding unsatisfactory signals given by the men who have been detailed for traffic work, and it is expected the new system will prove more effective in every way.

500 Mark Reached.

We are glad to be able to announce that the ten new members required to bring the membership register of the Hongkong Automobile Association up to the five hundred mark, have been enrolled. The following are the names of the gentlemen in question:—

C. P. Ross
P. H. Suckling
Comm. G. B. Harford
C. J. Roe
W. G. Goggins
W. N. H. Young
J. Ralston
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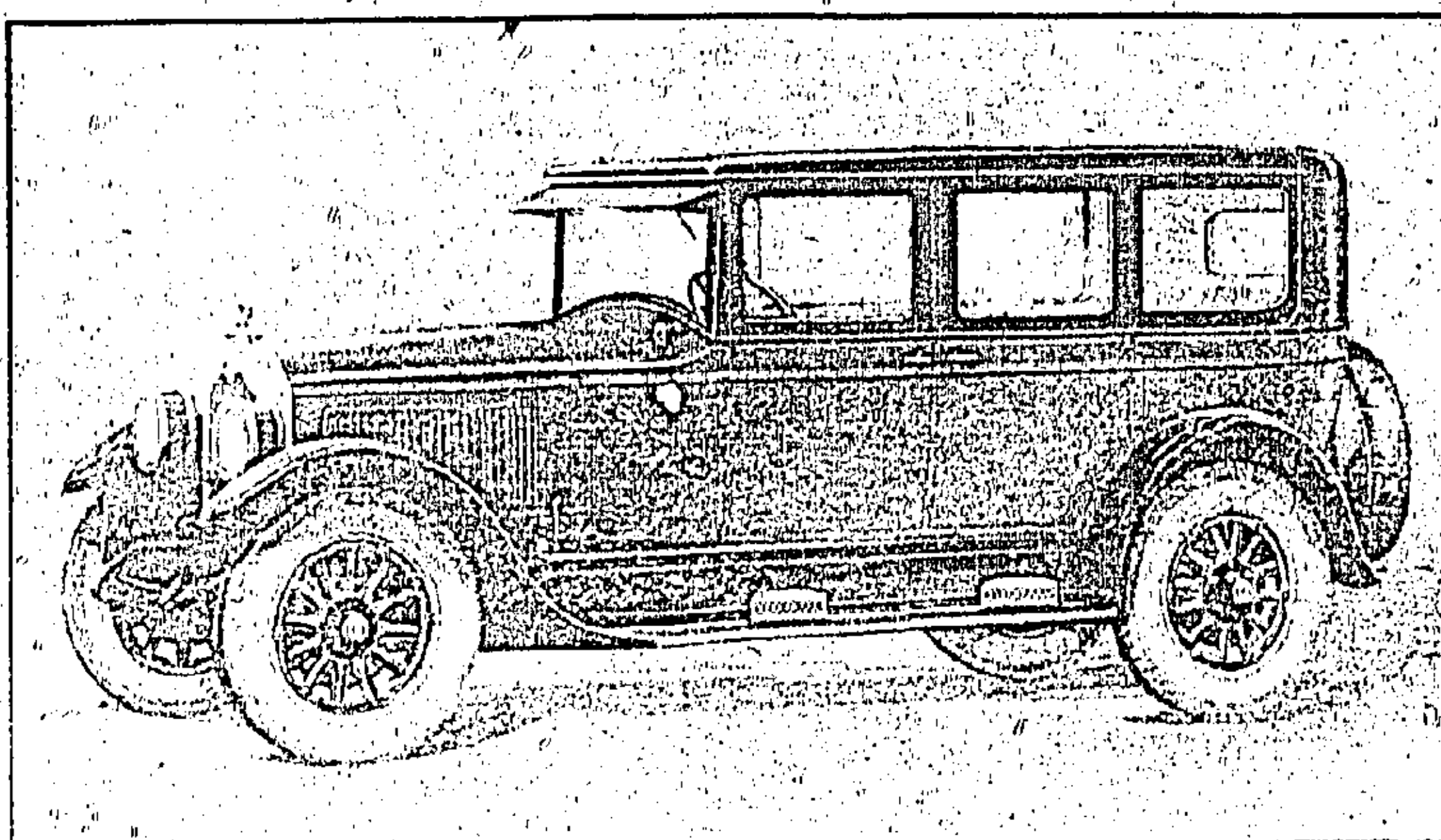
Flying Squad.

The value of the Flying Squad has already been demonstrated when an armed man was captured, charged and sent to prison, owing to the vigilance of Hongkong members. The movement is being taken up enthusiastically in Hongkong, although there is room for improvement in numbers in Kowloon. The latest orders state that Mr. A. Gascon has been appointed acting sergeant in the Kowloon contingent as from January 24th.

Pillion Riding.

The reader who takes us to task for publishing an article in which the practice of "Pillion Riding" was condemned, opens a discussion which has received much publicity at Home recently. Those Authorities who favour the introduction of legislation forbidding the carrying of passengers on motor cycles, are obviously actuated by the fact that many serious accidents have been recorded as a result of inexperienced riders giving a friend a lift on the back of the machine. It is always the inexperienced who cause the trouble, and there can be no doubt but that what is a distinctly dangerous practice for a novice to risk losing control of his mount by the act of carrying additional weight over the back wheel. We quite agree that no danger is caused by the careful and experienced rider carrying a passenger, and it is quite true that the heavier types of cycles are specially built with this end in view. We do think however, that motor cyclists should be required to pass a test demonstrating their ability before they be allowed to create an unnecessary road risk both to themselves and others.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Pillion Riding.

(To the Editor of the H. K. Telegraph.)

Sir,—The recent item in your Motoring Supplement decrying the practice of "Pillion Riding" must surely have been inspired by one of those people who, for some reason or other, have a perpetual grudge against motor cycles. I would like to point out that during last Summer in England, on several occasions competitions for motor cyclists provided special events for passenger carrying—or "Pillion Riding." It should be remembered that the modern motor cycle is specially built for this particular purpose, and with reasonable care, there is nothing dangerous in the practice.—Yours etc.

PRO-PILLION.
Hongkong, January 23rd.

MOST FAULT AT HOME.

Only 6 per cent. of motor vehicle accidents involve cars in interstate traffic, while 94 per cent. are caused by cars in their home states and 53 per cent. by cars in their home towns, according to figures based on the records of 37,000 motor vehicle accidents in Connecticut.



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MORRIS CARS.

The Redesigned Chassis.

WELL-TYPE RIMS FITTED.

The new range of Morris-Cowley and Morris-Oxford models recently announced by Morris Motors (1926) Ltd., amply prove that this firm is not content to rest on its laurels. The redesigned chassis, while retaining the same power unit transmission and axles as previously, possesses a vastly improved frame, springing, and appearance. The frame, now of deeper section, is tapered in plan from upswop over the rear axle and is mounted front and rear on long and supple semi-elliptic springs. A steel dash, which rigidly houses the petrol tank, lends considerable stiffness to the frame, and the cantilever construction of the running board supports, in addition to relieving the frame from undue twisting strains, provides yet further strength to it. The steel dash, in addition neatly supports a new fascia board in which all the instruments are attractively mounted in an oval panel and adequately lighted. On either side of the oval instrument panel are to be found roomy cubby holes where-in one may deposit the many small personal articles which are of motoring convenience. An entirely new design of radiator is now fitted which, in addition to being more modern in appearance, provides 60 per cent. greater cooling area and enables the fitting of more roomy and pleasing bodywork. The Morris-Cowley models are equipped with engines of 69.5 mm. stroke giving a cubic capacity of 1,550 c.c. The four cylinders and upper half of crankcase are cast en bloc. The side-by-side valves are arranged on the nearside and their tappets and springs are enclosed by a detachable oil-tight cover plate, giving ready access for tappet adjustment. Steel connecting rods and aluminium pistons are fitted, all crankshaft and connecting rod bearings being of white metal in bronze shells. A multi-plate cork insert clutch is provided and automatically lubricated from the engine sump. Engine lubrication is by plunger pump driven from a cam on the camshaft which draws its supply of lubricant through a filter of gonorous proportions. Indication of the work-

THIEVES BAULKED.

California And Mexico Take Action.

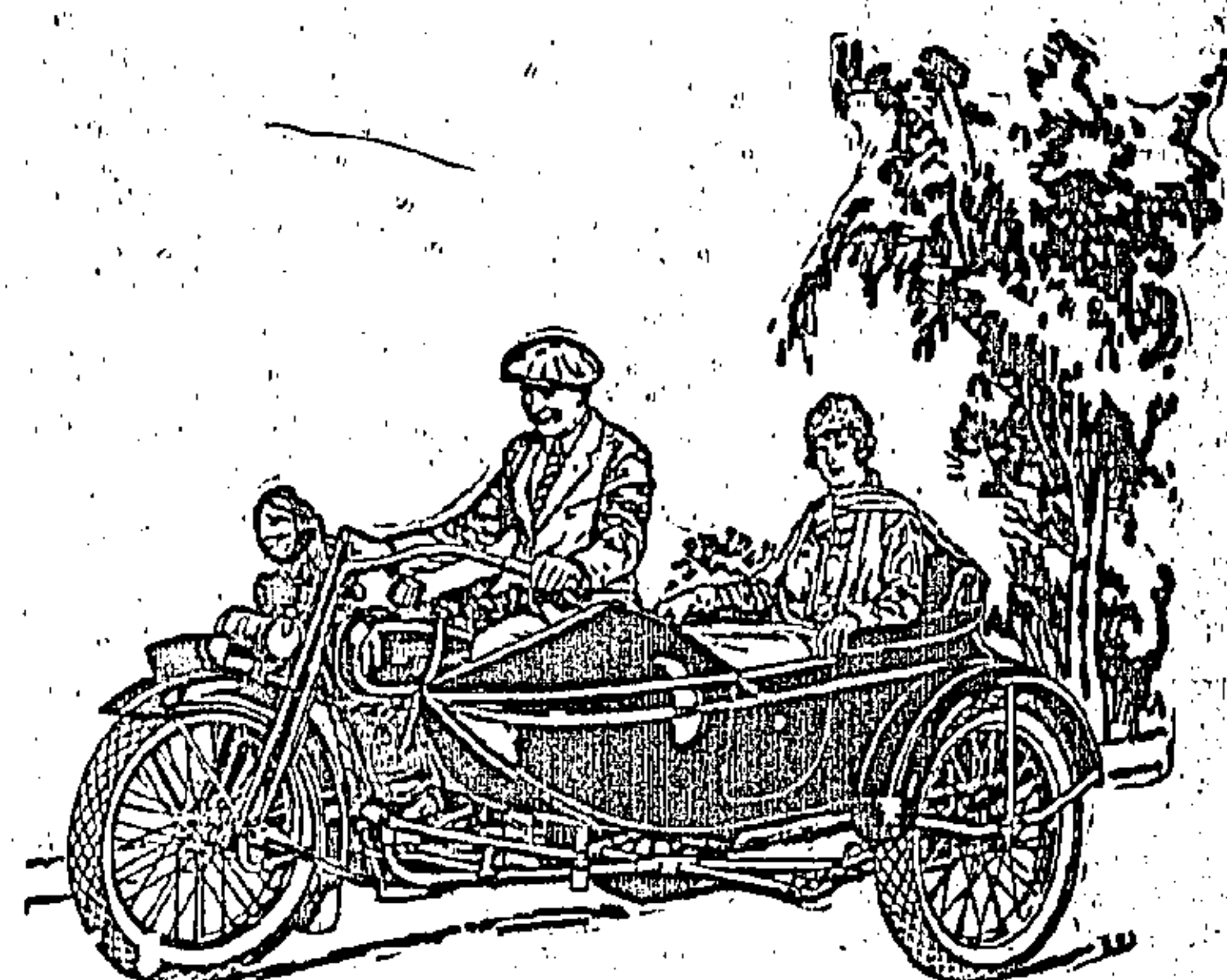
The Mexican border along southern California is being carefully guarded to prevent autos stolen in the United States from being taken into Mexico. Co-operation between the California and Mexican officials make it practically impossible for auto thieves to cross the international boundary line with their booty.

RAILROADS USE BUSES.

Many eastern railroads are providing a regular motor bus service for their patrons in order to retrieve the business lost through the competition of outside bus lines. The bus proved its popularity and the railroads are trying to beat their competition at its own game.

ing of the pump is provided by an oil gauge on the instrument board. The oil pump feeds oil under pressure to the crankshaft main bearings, and the excess delivered falls into a specially shaped trough, into which dips on the connecting rod, big end splash and bathes the remaining working parts in a constant shower bath of oil. The unit constructed gear-box provides gear ratios of 4.75 to 1, 5.17 to 1, and 15.2 to 1, the reverse gear ratio being 18.5 to 1. Internal expanding brakes operating within 9 in. diameter drums, are provided and adequate measures have been taken to ensure the exclusion of dust and dirt. Brake adjustment is effected by wing nuts at the junction of the brake rods with the brake camshaft levers.

Well-type rims equipped with 27 in. by 4.4 in. Dunlop reinforced balloon tyres are fitted to all Morris-Cowley models, and a Lucas 12-volt lighting system, incorporating their combined dynamo and starting motor, is fitted, a feature of the new electrical equipment, being the independent fuse and cut-out units which are now mounted on the steel dash, underneath the bonnet, and not in the switch-box as heretofore. A very complete tool kit is provided. The following bodies are provided in connection with the Morris-Cowley type chassis:—



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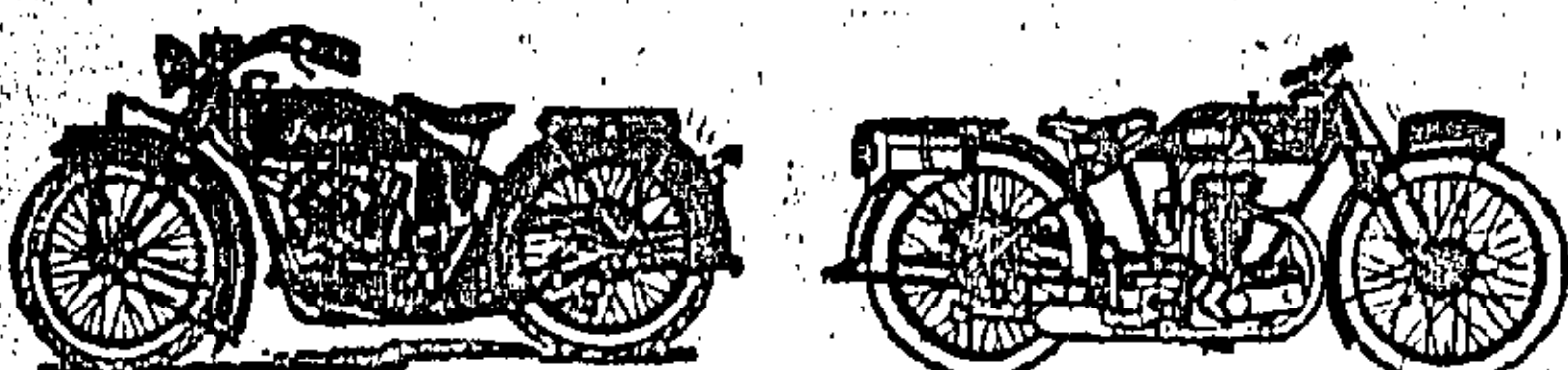
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Satisfactory Increase in Trade.

INTERESTING COMMERCIAL VEHICLE DEVELOPMENTS.

(Special to The Hongkong Telegraph by R. A. C.)

Growth Of Export Trade.

Though temporarily hindered by the effects of the coal stoppage, the exports of the British motor industry are expanding in a most satisfactory manner. This is proved by the very large firm orders that have been received by many manufacturers from the overseas markets. Thus, for instance, the makers of the Morris-Oxford and Morris-Cowley cars have secured a contract for the delivery of upwards of 10,000 of these vehicles to Australia during 1927. The bulk of these will be of the types already popular in Great Britain and elsewhere, though a substantial number of the new "Colonial" models will also be included.

Messrs. Rootes, who handle the whole of the export business of the Cygno and Hillman cars, state that they will during 1927 ship at least 6,000 vehicles as against about 2,000 exported during 1926.

Very large orders for Standard cars, received from Australia and elsewhere, ensure that the exports of the various models of this make, all of which now conform completely to overseas requirements, will be far larger during 1927 than they have ever been before.

The Rover Company reports very brisk business in the matter of exports. During the Olympia Show this firm fixed up contracts to the value of about £400,000, which represents about twice the business done during 1926.

Numerically, the exports of high priced cars of the de luxe class must always be comparatively small. I learn nevertheless that several very substantial export orders for Sunbeams have recently been booked. These include a big batch of the new 15 h.p. model for South Africa.

The business done in Rolls-Royce cars can never be regarded as in any way typical of the state of the industry as a whole, since the Rolls-Royce has for many years been in a class of its own. It is, however, interesting to know that overseas demands for these superb machines is very satisfactory. Recently the manufacturers have arranged for Messrs. Rootes of Devonshire House, London, to handle their exports for Africa, Ceylon and New Zealand.

Co-Operative Propaganda.

Judging by statements made by Colonel Hacking, Secretary of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, who was recently the principal guest at one of the valuable series of luncheons organised by the Royal Colonial Institute for the discussion of various matters bearing on Imperial trade and industry, there is every likelihood of co-operative propaganda being conducted by British motor manufacturers in the overseas markets in the near future. Steps are also being taken to improve export conditions in respect of such matters as the cost of freight and the facilities provided for service to be rendered to the overseas motorist.

Overseas co-operative propaganda, should it mature, is a very natural consequence of the success that has attended the co-operative campaign conducted for some time past in the home markets. This campaign, designed to encourage the British public to purchase British vehicles, has for the most part been financed by the builders of motor chassis. A few firms, however, devoted to the manufacture of components and accessories have been long-sighted enough to see that the success of this campaign would necessarily react to their own benefit. Prominent among the firms taking this view are Messrs. Joseph Lucas Limited, who have just recently taken an important step in support of the general principle of "Buy British" by offering a unique guarantee of their magneto. Backed by the experience gained during the manufacture of some half-a-million machines, they are now prepared to guarantee all

their new magnetos for a period of no less than two years, the guarantee covering all electrical and mechanical breakdowns and the burning of contact breaker points, as well as wear and tear. The guarantee period of two years is evidence of the confidence Messrs. Lucas have in their productions, while as a matter of fact, the magnetos are built to outlast the life of the car.

Commercial Vehicle Developments.

Increased interest in the possibilities of export trade is not confined to car manufacturers, but is fully shared by the makers of commercial and public service vehicles. Among these are some who are not satisfied with the overseas agency arrangements upon which they have depended in the past, and are willing to open up fresh negotiations to secure greater efficiency. At the moment, the writer knows of at least one old-established manufacturer of good repute specialising in commercial vehicles, public service vehicles and municipal motors, who would be glad to hear from thoroughly well qualified firms in a position to re-introduce first class British machines in all parts of the overseas markets, and would be pleased to forward communications from any readers who may be interested in this proposition.

The Associated Daimler Company will shortly have at its disposal its new Works at Southall, in Middlesex. This Company is, of course, the result of the amalgamation of the Associated Equipment Company with the Daimler Company, for the purpose of combining the two firms' activities in respect of the production of public service and commercial vehicles. Certain of these will be fitted with the Daimler sleeve-valve engines, the customer having the choice between these and the poppet valve type. The new factory buildings, together with test roads, etc., will occupy a space of some twenty-three acres. Of these, 5½ acres will be devoted to a service station, canteen and office blocks. The Works are to be a single floor structure, and great attention has been given to the efficiency of lighting, heating and ventilation. The buildings are for the most part of steel and concrete and they will house the most modern machinery, laid out on thoroughly scientific principles.

The distinction of being the first to secure the approval of the Metropolitan Police for the running in London of buses fitted with four-wheel brakes has fallen to Messrs. Dennis Bros. Before the necessary authority was given, a sample Dennis vehicle was submitted to the most exacting tests, imaginable. The floor of a garage was covered with a layer of soft soap, making it so slippery that it was even dangerous to venture one's foot on the prepared surface. The fully loaded bus was, however, driven in at twenty-five miles an hour and on the driver lightly applying the Servo-operated four-wheel brakes, the vehicle came to a standstill in its own length without deviating in the slightest degree from the true line. Afterwards, still on the prepared surface, the vehicle described circles and made sharp turns. Again, when the brakes were suddenly brought into action, the bus was pulled up with no harshness or jerk and with no suspicion of sliding either forward or sideways.

Marine Motoring.

Though the sales of marine motors do not develop as rapidly as those of cars and motor cycles, they are at least extending at a steady and satisfactory rate. The majority of the leading British manufacturers find that in this branch export represents a very large percentage of their trade. This is certainly true in the case of Thornycroft's, who have recently introduced several new types of marine motors to replace some of their earlier models. Of

these, the largest and perhaps the most interesting is their RB/6 type, which is of 100 h.p. and is intended for the "express" class of motor cruiser. The engine has six cylinders 4½ by 6½ inches and runs on petrol. Before being put into production, it has been very thoroughly tested with highly satisfactory results.

Another and smaller edition to the Thornycroft range is rated at 20/25 h.p. This is a four-cylinder motor, the dimensions being 3½ by 5 inches. Running at approximately 1,100 r.p.m., it develops some 20 h.p. on paraffin and about 25 h.p. on petrol. This is a very useful medium sized engine which should make a wide appeal to owners of both pleasure and commercial craft, and will probably find a more extensive world-market than the larger model.

The third and newest model develops 12 h.p. on petrol at 1,100 r.p.m. It is a four-cylinder development of the Thornycroft "Handy-billy" engine, which has been so remarkably successful during the past two years and is designed to provide increased power for the lighter types of boat, particularly for river craft.

Messrs. J. W. Brooke & Co., of Lowestoft, report that they have a large number of orders on hand for their marine motors for overseas districts, including South America, India, West Africa, Australia, Malay and the Sudan. A batch of 14 h.p. two-cylinder Fisherman's motors, model very popular in South America, was included in the latest repeat order from that district, while the last order from Australia comprises motors ranging in power, and particularly a large number of the 10 h.p. four-cylinder "Empire" type, which is now extensively used in Australian craft. A repeat order for a number of similar engines has just come to hand from Singapore.

As regards complete craft, Messrs. Brooke have many in hand, one of the most interesting being a 30 foot teak launch with a beam of 6 feet 6 inches and a speed of about 27 miles an hour for service on the Hooghly River. This launch is building to the order of Mr. Eric Hayward, of Calcutta, who had a somewhat similar boat from the same firm some years ago.

The importance of training merchant service cadets in the mechanism and use of internal combustion engines is, of course, increasing. Consequently the authorities of the "Conway", on which so many of our best merchant service officers receive their training in their youth, realising the importance of up-to-date equipment, are having a new motor launch fitted with one of the most modern designs of marine engine to take the place of one of steam launches previously in service. The new boat will be 30 ft. long and will have a four-cylinder overhead valve 20/24 h.p. Ailsa Craig motor. This engine is built on similar lines to those that the Royal National Lifeboat

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Launching Lifeboats.

Mention of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution brings to one's mind a problem which has proved to be by no means easy of solution. This is the successful launching and subsequent beaching of lifeboats where soft ground and sand has to be negotiated. It was at first thought that the chain track type of motor vehicle with ordinary front wheels, used for steering only, would fill the bill. Difficulties were, however, experienced because it was found that, without driving power on the front wheels, a machine of this type was almost impossible to steer in loose sand, as the wheels would simply slide instead of bringing the vehicle round. Consequently experiments have been made with a standard F. W. D. roadless machine built by the Four Wheel Drive Lorry Co., of Slough. It was found that, with this machine, the difficulty of steering is entirely eliminated. The vehicle could be brought round in a 24 foot radius on a sandy beach, which saved a great deal of time in manoeuvring and much facilitated the necessary operations. It is, of course, not only for this special problem of hauling lifeboats that this particular type has merits of its own. For instance, when negotiating hairpin bends on loose roads, dependable steering is just as important as an efficient drive, and many users handling considerable tonnage over mountainous roads for this reason favour the F.W.D. lorries and tractors.

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Chassis with Cab Seat	1,325
Chassis with complete Cab	1,395
Express Body Truck complete	1,520
Canopy Body Truck complete	1,550
Stake Body Truck complete	1,595

Chassis only (1½-ton)	1,640
Chassis with Cab Seat	1,705
Chassis with complete Cab	1,770
Express Body Truck complete	2,020
Stake Body Truck complete	2,080

Chassis only (2-ton)	1,760
Chassis with cab seat	1,815
Chassis with complete cab	1,895
Farm Body Truck complete	2,200
Stake Body Truck complete	2,200
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Club Sedan (5-passenger)	3,480
Sedan (7-passenger)	3,570
Sedan Limousine (7-passenger)	3,670

PACKARD STRAIGHT-8

MOTOR CARRIAGES.

Phaeton (5-passenger)	£4,400
Roadster	4,500
Sedan (5-passenger)	4,550
Touring (7-passenger)	4,660
Coupe (4-passenger)	4,640
Club Sedan (5-passenger)	4,780
Sedan (7-passenger)	4,900
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Sports-Roadster	2,000
Fire Chief	2,090
Victoria	2,120
Custom Brougham	2,170
Custom Berline	2,240

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Duplex-Phaeton	Gold \$2,160
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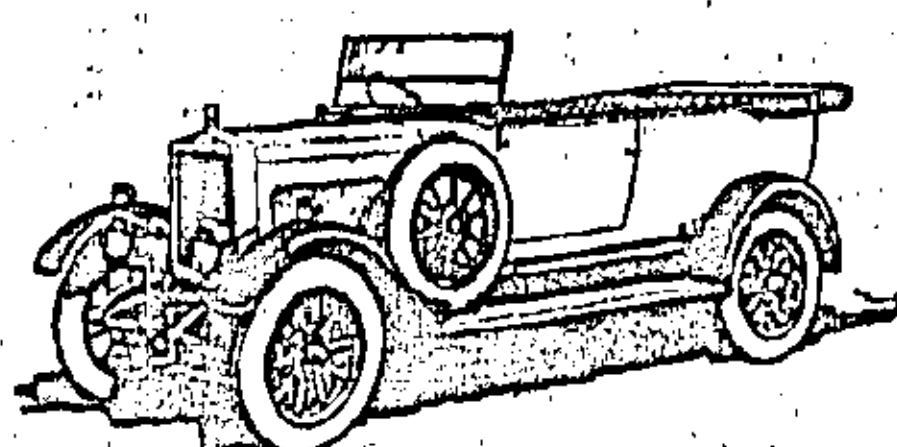
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COIL-VIBRATORS NEED ATTENTION.

Question:—The coils of my Ford sometimes fail to fire the engine and one especially makes a blue spark at the points every time they separate, this one occasionally stops working, on the road and then starts in again. These coils seem tight enough in the case. What do you think is

BURMA BUYS MORE CARS.

Motor vehicle sales in Burma are 25 per cent. ahead of last year, according to Walton Schmidt, field representative of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce.

wrong with them. I lately put in a new dry-cell battery. Does this cause the coils to give out sooner? Answer: Our first thought is that these vibrator points need to be smoothed and adjusted. Use a thin file or oilstone to dress them down in a smooth and flat contact and in readjusting them turn down the adjusting thumb-nut until the vibrator is one thirty-second inch from the core of the coil. If this does not make all these coil-units work properly you better replace with new ones any that persistently give trouble. A dry battery is no harder on the coils than is the magneto.

DRAGGING CLUTCH.

Question:—In shifting my car from neutral to low or reverse gear, there is considerable clashing but after this first shift there is no trouble getting into any gear. Is this my fault or that of the gears?

Answer: Probably neither, but rather the fault of the clutch, which probably drags somewhat and keeps the countershaft gears turning, when the sliding gears are at rest. The only suggestions we can make are that you be sure that there is, in the clutch housing, one-half pint of a half and half mixture of kerosene and engine oil and that the clutch pedal does not come closer than three-eighths inch from the floor board, when it is pushed away forward. This adjustment can be made by the set-screw mounted on the clutch operating shaft.

GREASING REAR WHEEL BEARINGS.

Question:—Can the rear wheel bearings of a car be greased by removing the hub-cap, filling it with grease and then screwing it on tightly.

Answer: No, this will do no good in the way of lubrication. The rear wheel bearings of this car are lubricated through pressure gun fittings, located on the axle housing, just inside the brake-drum on each side.

PRECISION.

Packard System.

Precision with which both main and connecting rod bearings are fitted in Packard cars has been made even finer with the installation of a new machine, the first-of-its-kind, which hones the journals of the shaft finer than the honing of any razor. Even longer life from bearings is expected as a result.

The new machine, which is only a recent invention, gives the crank shafts their finishing operation. Honing stones as fine as those used for sharpening any razor are held against all nine of the main bearing journals and all eight of the connecting rod bearing journals with the eight cylinder motor shaft and all of the bearing journals of the six cylinder motor shaft in the same manner. The shaft revolves as it would in a lathe and the honing stones held in the ends of oscillating arms follow around in the eccentric action of the connecting rod bearing journals. Honing for the main bearing journals of course remain stationary, with the exception of the slight movement forward and back along the length of the journal.

Streams of kerosene are directed on the stones all the time the machine is in operation to carry away the minute metal cutting and the material worn from the stones. Work on each journal is done automatically. On the eight shaft there are 17 journals and on the six shaft there are 13. The operation on each is identical. Only a small part of one one-thousandth of an inch is taken off by the honing stones.

The babbit connecting rod bearings in which the shaft runs after it is placed in the car for both types of Packard cars for some time have been bored with a special machine designed and built by the Packard company which uses five karat diamonds for cutting. The bearings are held to a limit of one ten-thousandth of an inch. Fittings of these bearings to the shaft through the use of the new honing machine in the making of the shaft has been made as perfect as anything known in manufacturing with metals.

EIGHTS POPULAR.

There are at present about 20 American manufacturers building eight-cylinder cars. The number of manufacturers shows that the eight-cylinder market offers a highly competitive field.

Michael O'Leary, V. C., has arrived at Brightlingsea (Essex), where he is to take up duty, as commercial traveller for Hartell and Co., net manufacturers.

MORE CARS FOR TEXAS.

Automobile registrations in Texas during the first nine months of 1926 show an increase of 45,263 over the total number of registrations for the entire year of 1925.

Aged 74, Mrs. Ellis, a widow, of Winchester-street, Pimlico, was found suffocated after a fire in her room had been put out.

NEW SPARK PLUG.

A Swedish mechanic has invented a new type spark plug that cleans itself automatically. The plug can be manufactured to suit for only slightly higher than the ordinary type, according to advices from Stockholm.

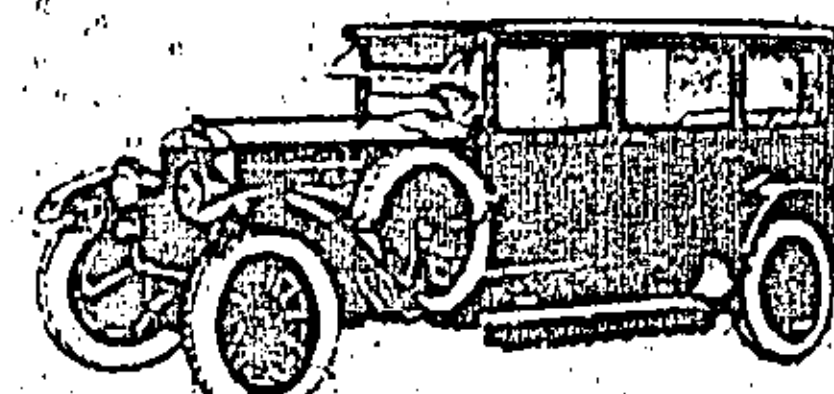
Lord Astor is giving \$10,000 to build a hostel to accommodate 40 students under the South Western University scheme.

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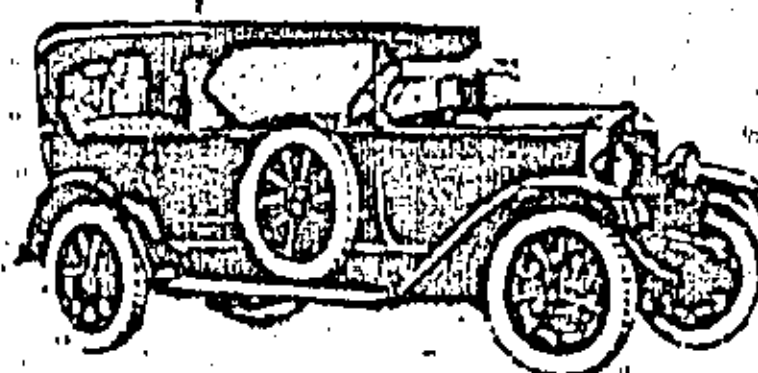
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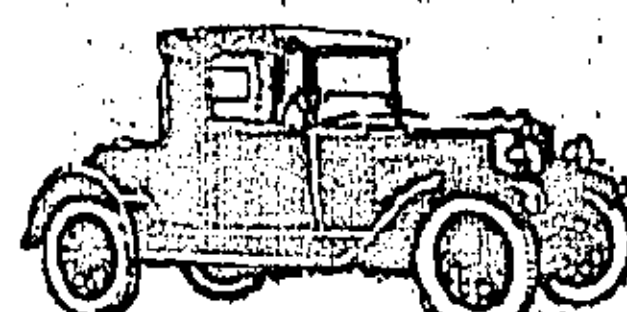


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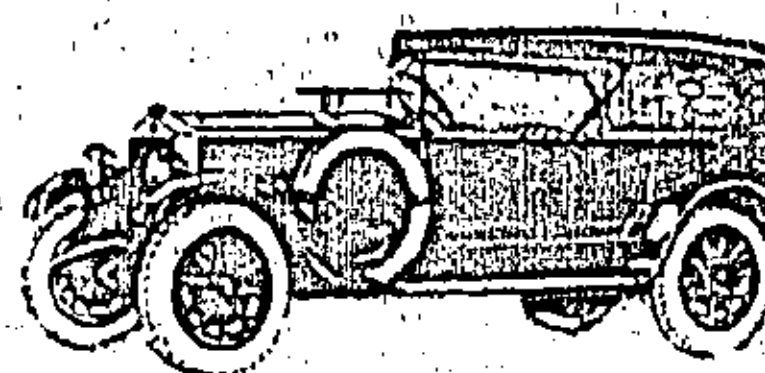
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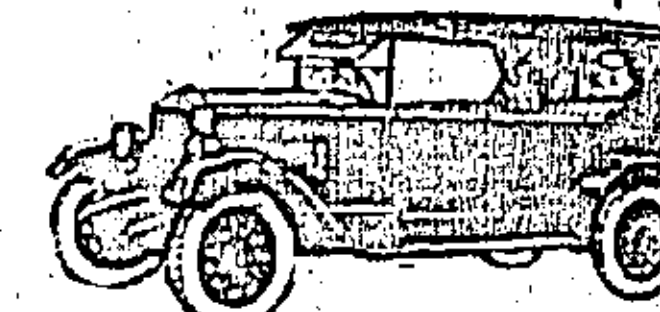
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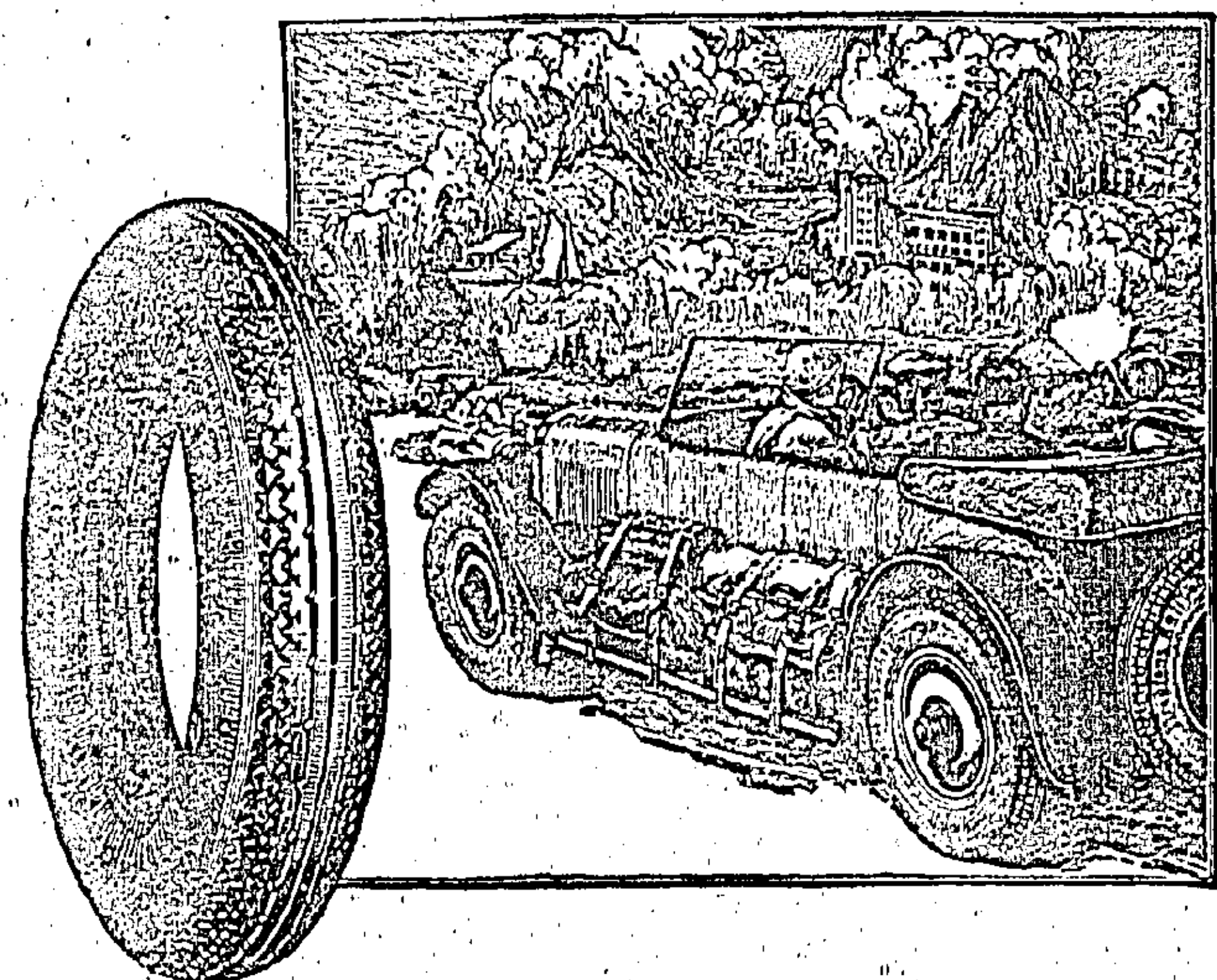
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FORD'S FORTUNE.**\$2,000,000,000.****ANNUAL PROFIT**
\$115,000,000.

Detroit, December 11.—Henry Ford's fortune is \$2,000,000,000, based on the earning capacity of his huge automobile interests. At present, with his son Edsel, he carries a cash balance in Detroit which varies somewhere between \$300,000,000 and \$350,000,000.

A prominent Detroit statistician is authority for the first statement. The president of one of Detroit's largest national banks mentioned Henry Ford's cash balance in an off hand way as though it was ordinary.

What if the Ford Motor Co. did cease producing Model T, four-cylinder, powered automobiles tomorrow? Few of us realize that his plants would keep going at a lively clip producing parts for the 14,000,000 Fords that have already been built and sold.

It is true that Henry Ford will build again this year approximately 40 per cent. of all the automobiles sold in the United States. Perhaps his portion of the whole will slip off a few per cent. It is only reasonable that with the prosperity that this country has had recently more people should desire more expensive automobiles.

This relative change in production totals has set many people to asking the question, "What is Henry Ford going to do?" There are some who are endeavoring to answer the question for him.

About two weeks ago a news gathering organization supplying Wall Street brokers printed a report that the Ford Motor Co. would shortly announce a six and eight-cylinder automobile.

Those who understand manufacturing methods, especially along the progressive assembly plan which has been developed to its highest point of efficiency by Ford, realize it would take him months and months to prepare for such a change.

An earlier report credited Ford with contemplating a change in his transmission. This one would give the Ford four speeds forward. The date set by the rumour has passed long ago.

Another rumour would have Ford at war with the General Motors Corporation. General Motors, of course is not making secret of its desire to sell Chevrolet as Ford does his products. It is only a natural ambition.

It must also be remembered in this connection that Henry Ford once said that he would never build but one kind of an automobile in the Ford plant.

NEW "SIX" CAR.**To Use Knight Motor.**

The Knight sleeve-valve six-cylinder engine may soon be seen in a new car, yet unnamed, that will sell close to the \$1,000 mark.

An automobile organization has been formed here, headed by many leaders in the automotive industry, to build and promote the car. Among those reported as actively interested are J. N. Willys, John A. Nichols, R. N. Harger, R. H. Allen and D. R. Wilson.

This sleeve-valve motor recently has come into more general use and was shown in six new European products that were displayed at the Paris Salon and at the Olympic Salon in England.

Like the proposed car, the organization backing it is yet unnamed although it has opened offices here and it is understood that a manufacturing plant is soon to be purchased.

Edsel Ford and Charles E. Sorenson in a joint statement a few weeks ago said the company had been averaging 6,500 cars daily, on a five day a week basis since the first of last January.

The peak daily was 8,500. Sorenson said that employment at River Rouge plants totalled 52,047 and at Highland Park 37,066. The total of 89,113 was only 11,000 under the peak of last year, he added.

Figuring on the basis of 6,500 cars daily, five days a week, we find that Ford will build about 1,625,000 cars for domestic consumption this year.

In another recent statement it was pointed out by Ford officials that raises granted in connection with the new five day week policy announced in September, brought the average wage at Highland Park to 89 cents per hour.

Besides the Detroit Units, Ford has his own system of distribution which comprises assembly plants and warehouses in over 40 cities in the United States. An important feature of the Detroit plants is the profit exacted from waste materials. The by-products division of the company reported last year that its sales totalled \$11,000,000. More than half of this sum was gained by conversion of waste.

The total profit of the Ford Motor Co. was estimated by a leading financial news service as having been \$115,000,000 in 1925.

At the rate of production indicated by Sorenson it would be safe to predict a similar income this year due to the economies effected recently.

AMERICA'S LEAD.**Most Cars From U.S.A.**

About 60 per cent. of the cars in use in principal foreign countries are of United States and Canadian manufacture, according to a survey of the import figures of 12 leading nations.

The countries surveyed were Belgium, Spain, Sweden, British Isles, Argentina, Brazil, Cuba, Mexico, British South Africa, India, Australia and New Zealand. Other important countries which were not included in the survey had no import figures immediately available.

Automobile exports from the United States and Canada furnished foreign markets with 35 per cent. of their total vehicles in 1921. By 1925 the countries had

increased their imports and nearly 60 per cent. of the automobiles registered were of North American manufacture.

In the 12 foreign countries there were 1,989,000 motor vehicles in operation at the beginning of the year. This represents 43 per cent. of the automobiles in use outside of the United States.

Europe proves to be the most competitive field for North American auto manufacturers, while in India American exporters have held about 80 per cent. of the market throughout the past five years.

In other nations American motor business continues constant, holding a good per cent. of the markets.

For the seventh year in succession an anonymous friend has provided "God's gifts" for 130 poor families of Bromley, Kent.

A POPULAR CAR.**The 9-20 H.P. Humber.**

The 9-20 h.p. Humber undergoes very little change. Some slight improvements have been made to the bodywork, such as greater width to the rear models and more head room in the saloon, so providing it with an even greater degree of comfort.

This aristocrat of light cars depends for its power on a 4-cylinder engine of 58 mm. bore by 100 mm. stroke (1,057 c.c. 8.35 h.p. by Treasury rating). It has overhead inlet valves, thermo syphon water circulation, Cox Atmos Carburettor, pump and trough lubrication, magneto ignition.

A new type camshaft has been designed embodying quieting curves to the cam contours, which, working in conjunction with a composite timing wheel, will contribute largely to the silent running of the engine. The power is transmitted by a Perodé cone clutch through a three-forward and reverse gear-box to the spiral bevel final drive. Steering: The ratio of this has been lowered with the object of ensuring perfect front wheel control at high speeds, and the column is now supported from the fascia board. Dunlop 27 by 4.40 reinforced balloon tyres are fitted to the five detachable steel artillery wheels. Other features include Lucas dynamotor lighting (five lamps) and starter set, mechanical screen wiper, electric horn under bonnet, double windscreen. "Ramgun" greaser system with renewable grease gun canister. The tools necessary for wheel changing, jack, handle, brace, etc., together with an oil can, are situated under the bonnet and a generously equipped tool kit is supplied. As-

HUGE DEATH ROLL.**2,600 Killed In U.S.A.****During October.**

October's automobile toll reached the peak in the history of motor vehicle accidents in the United States, according to the National Safety Council.

The council estimates 2,600 men, women and children were killed on American roads and highways during the month.

This toll of 84 lives a day shows an increase of 10 lives lost every day during the month against the total for October, 1925.

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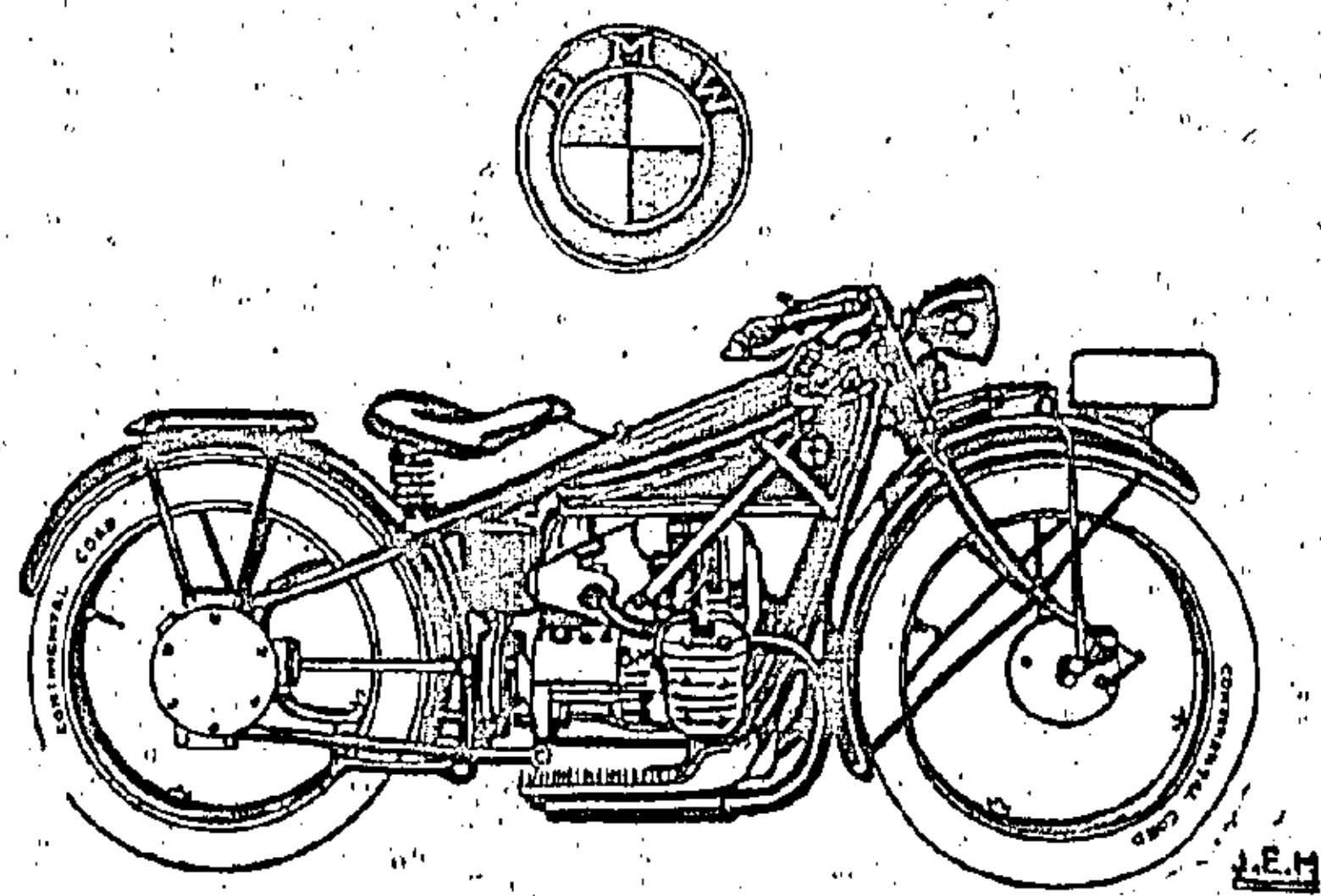
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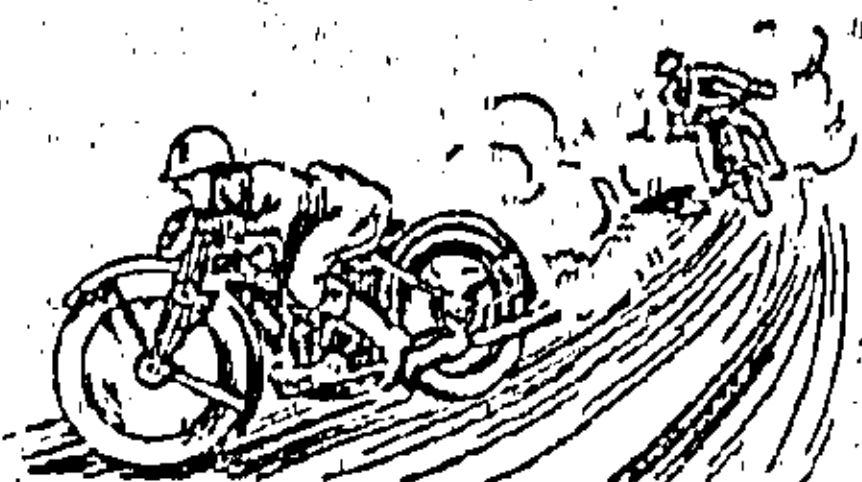
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Demonstration For Benefit of Dominion Prime Ministers.

BRITISH ARMY KEEPING UP-TO-DATE.

(Special Report to The Hongkong Telegraph.)

In connection with the Imperial Conference a wonderful display of military transport was organised, principally for the benefit of the Dominion Prime Ministers and the various Ministers and technical advisers accompanying them. The demonstration, which took place at Camberley, was carried out under conditions which were both abominable and ideal: abominable from the point of view of the comfort of the visitors and ideal from the standpoint of practical tests. For some little time before the demonstration the weather had been rough and wet, and on the day upon which it was held the rain came down in torrents and the wind blew with the force of a gale. Thus the visitors had the finest possible opportunity of seeing what motor transport can do in the way of cross-country work under the worst conceivable conditions.

The impressions conveyed by the demonstration were well summed up by Mr. Coates, Prime Minister of New Zealand, in the following words:—"The demonstration clearly indicated to me the value of new mechanical means of transport for uses other than for war purposes. It was a very fine display, extremely well organised, and highly interesting, and it showed that the British Army is keeping itself thoroughly up-to-date."

But one could not help being impressed with the possibilities the demonstration suggested for fruitful exploitation in commercial fields. It provided ideas as to the adaptability of the inventions to requirements in rural work in certain classes of country, and in regard to development works in new countries, especially in road and railway construction, hydro-electrical headworks operations, irrigation, and other similar undertakings. Instead of having to construct an expensive road before starting operations on any particular undertaking the work could undoubtedly be expedited by the use of these machines, and men and materials placed on the ground ahead of the road.

In pursuing investigation and experimentation in its own sphere the Army is providing most valuable data and ideas for the commercial development and utilisation of motor traction in directions hitherto not exploited. After what I have observed, if I were a taxpayer of Britain I should see no real grounds for objection to the expenditure on this work in view of the fact that the Army is concentrating skill and science, and collecting data from all sources, in the endeavour to produce the most economical means of mechanical transportation, and testing it under actual working conditions. In my opinion the work is of immense value not only to Britain, but to the whole Empire—and not only from the point of view of war purposes, but from a commercial outlook.

Another striking feature of the display was that, notwithstanding the severity of the tests, there was not one single mechanical mishap or breakdown. Not once, either, did the skill of the men fail them. The opinions expressed by Mr. Coates were the result of watching the performance of a great variety of vehicles and tractors. Among these were the latest types of tank, both large and small. At one end of the scale was probably the finest model of heavy land-fighting machine in the world. In appearance it is like a miniature battleship, with four revolving machine gun turrets and a central turret for a three-pounder gun. At the other end of the scale were little one-man and two-man tanks, built from standard commercial components, and thus illustrating the close collaboration existing between the War Department and the British motor manufacturing industry. In fact, the whole demonstration showed clearly the willingness of the industry to devote special attention to the production of machines capable of operating with certainty and economy over rough country completely devoid

of roads. Probably nothing could have better brought home, to those still inclined to cling to old theories, the fact that the British motor manufacturer is willing to do anything and everything to cater for every possible market for his products in every part of the world. Conditions of transport in Great Britain itself do not call for the production of any appreciable quantity of machines capable of cross-country work. The funds made available to the War Department in respect of such transport are not such as to constitute any real encouragement to the manufacturer to produce special types for military purposes only. Except in the event of a great war, the orders given by the War Department must continue to be insignificant. Consequently, the keen collaboration of the manufacturer in the production of such machines as tanks, tractors for artillery haulage, armoured cars and cross-country transport vehicles, can be due to no other cause than his realisation of the importance of catering for countries where travelling conditions are infinitely worse than those to which he is accustomed at home. His action is, in fact, a direct contradiction of the time-honoured but totally incorrect argument that the British motor manufacturer builds only with an eye to his own good roads and fails to produce models suitable for export markets. Those who have watched British-built military motor transport successfully hauling heavy loads through marshes, and passing unimpeded over ditches and huge obstacles of every kind will hardly be disposed in future to accept the views of those who tell them that British designers understand nothing but the production of vehicles for use on good hard roads.

Even in the sphere of the ordinary motor car for private use there are now some thirty British models conforming to the standard requirement of the overseas markets in respect of the 4 ft. 6 in. wheel track, and if we take a dozen typical instances of British cars that are growing in popularity overseas we shall find that, on the average, their ground clearance is at least as high as that of the typical foreign machines, which, by reason of

SMALLEST MARINE ENGINE.

Triumph In British Motor Engineering.

Another triumph has been achieved with the introduction of the smallest British-made 4-cylinder engine for marine work by that well-known and enterprising firm of engineers, the Ailsa Craig Motor Co., Ltd. The new engine which is being produced at their Strand-on-the-Green Works, Chiswick, London, W. 4, is of 7-12 brake h.p., and is obtainable with a number of outfits at prices which are particularly attractive to the man of ordinary means. As an instance of this we may mention that the marine outfit, which comprises the engine and reverse gear is one unit, together with the propeller and all necessary stern gear, costs only £76. This engine has many novel points of design embodying features which are far in advance of what has hitherto been obtainable in the smallest sizes of marine motors. The cylinders and crank case are cast in one block of rectangular box section giving the utmost rigidity and strength with a minimum of weight; incidentally this ensures perfect alignment and consequently noiseless and vibrationless running. All moving parts are completely enclosed and protected against weather and rough seas—even the sparking plugs are enclosed—yet everything is easily and quickly accessible. A large crank-case door gives access to the big ends and the valve tappets are readily adjusted by merely undoing two screws which release the cover. The lubricating oil tank is water-jacketed so that the oil is maintained at the correct temperature. All internal parts are lubricated from this one point. Reverse gear with direct drive or with reduction gear for use with a large slow-running propeller forms an integral part with the engine block. The unit is remarkably compact and capable of being fitted into the most restricted space. It thus fills a long-felt want by providing an engine which owners can install in small craft that have hitherto been either under or over-powered.

HIGHWAY UPKEEP.

Properly taxation pays little for highway maintenance and construction. Most of the money for this purpose comes through levies on motor vehicles. In 1920 the percentage of highway expenditure derived from property taxation was 11.2 per cent. and in 1925 it was 3.3 per cent.

the war and its aftermath, have until recently held something approaching a monopoly of the markets of the British Empire overseas.

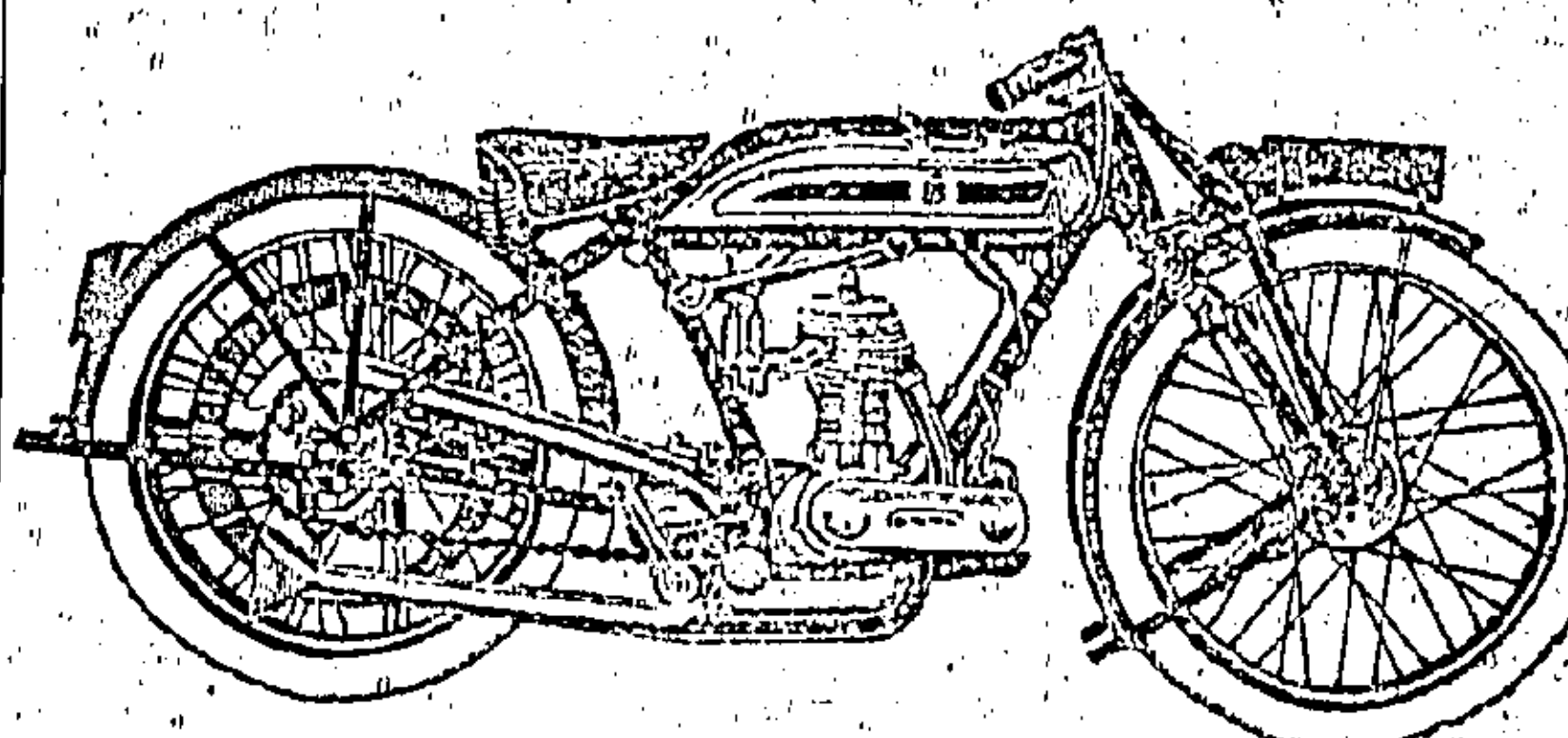
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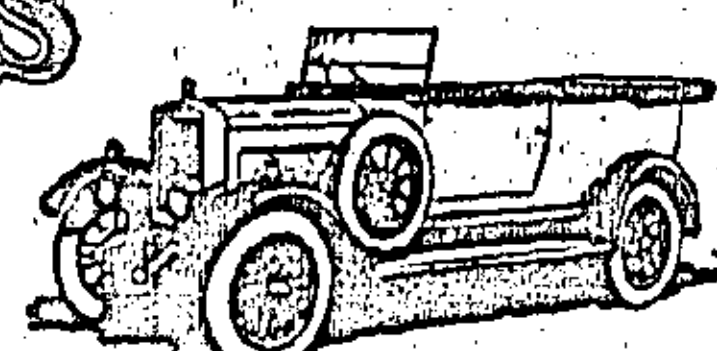
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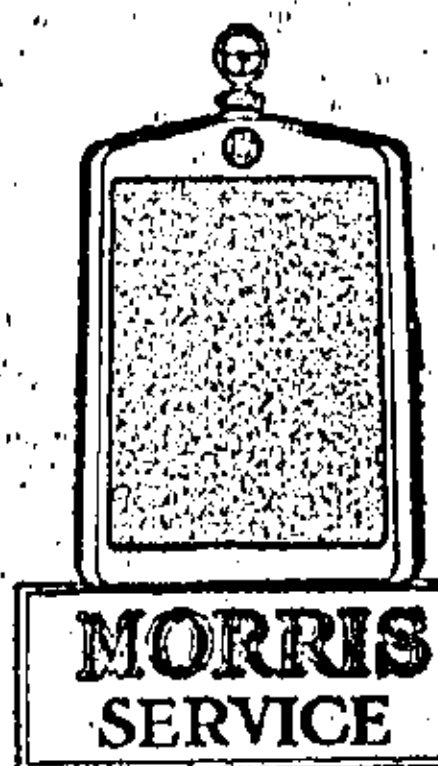
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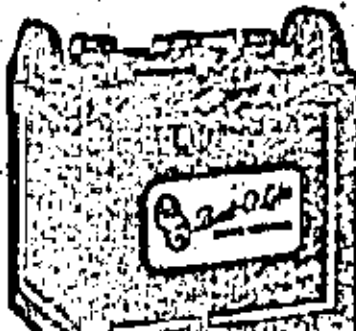
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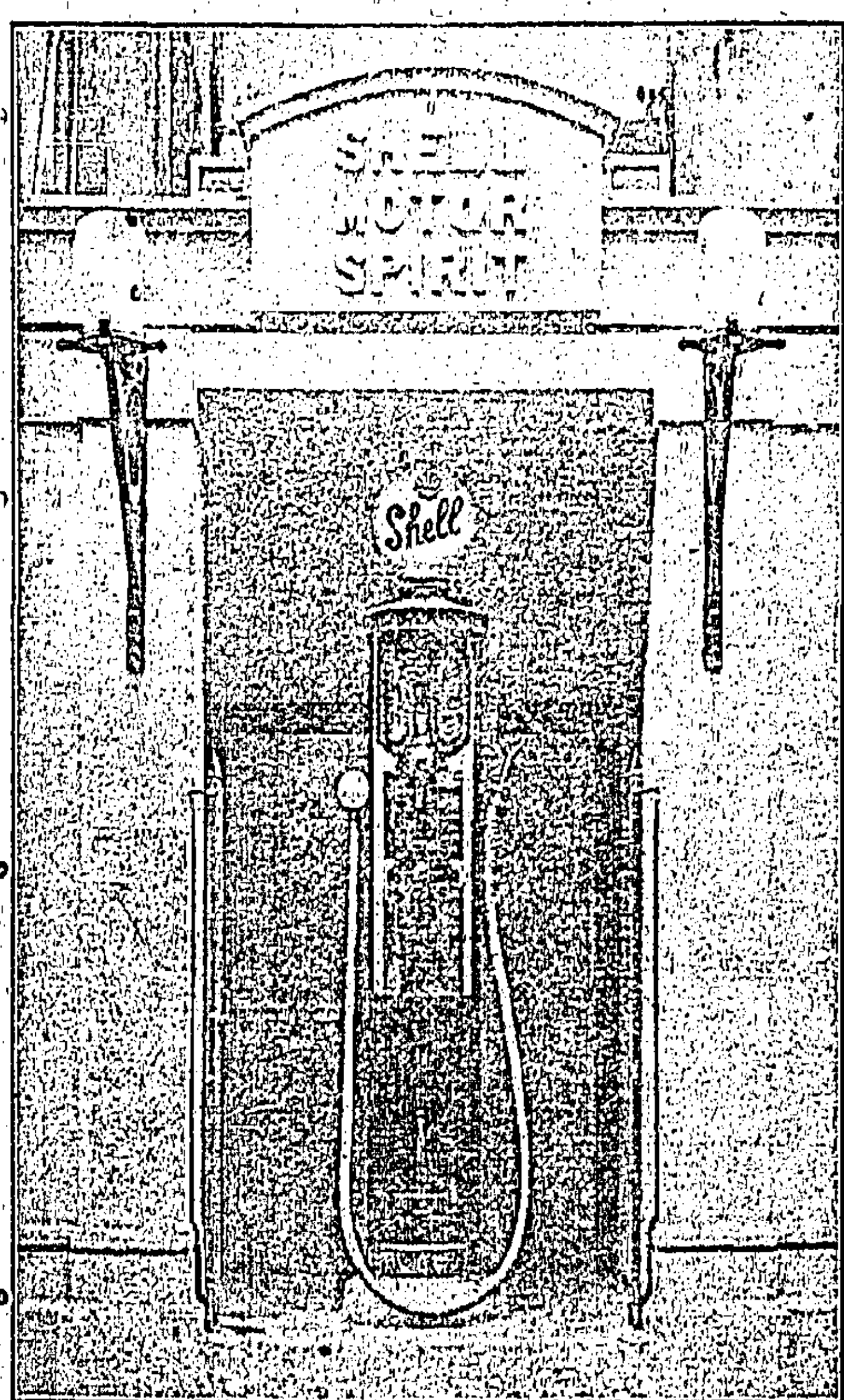
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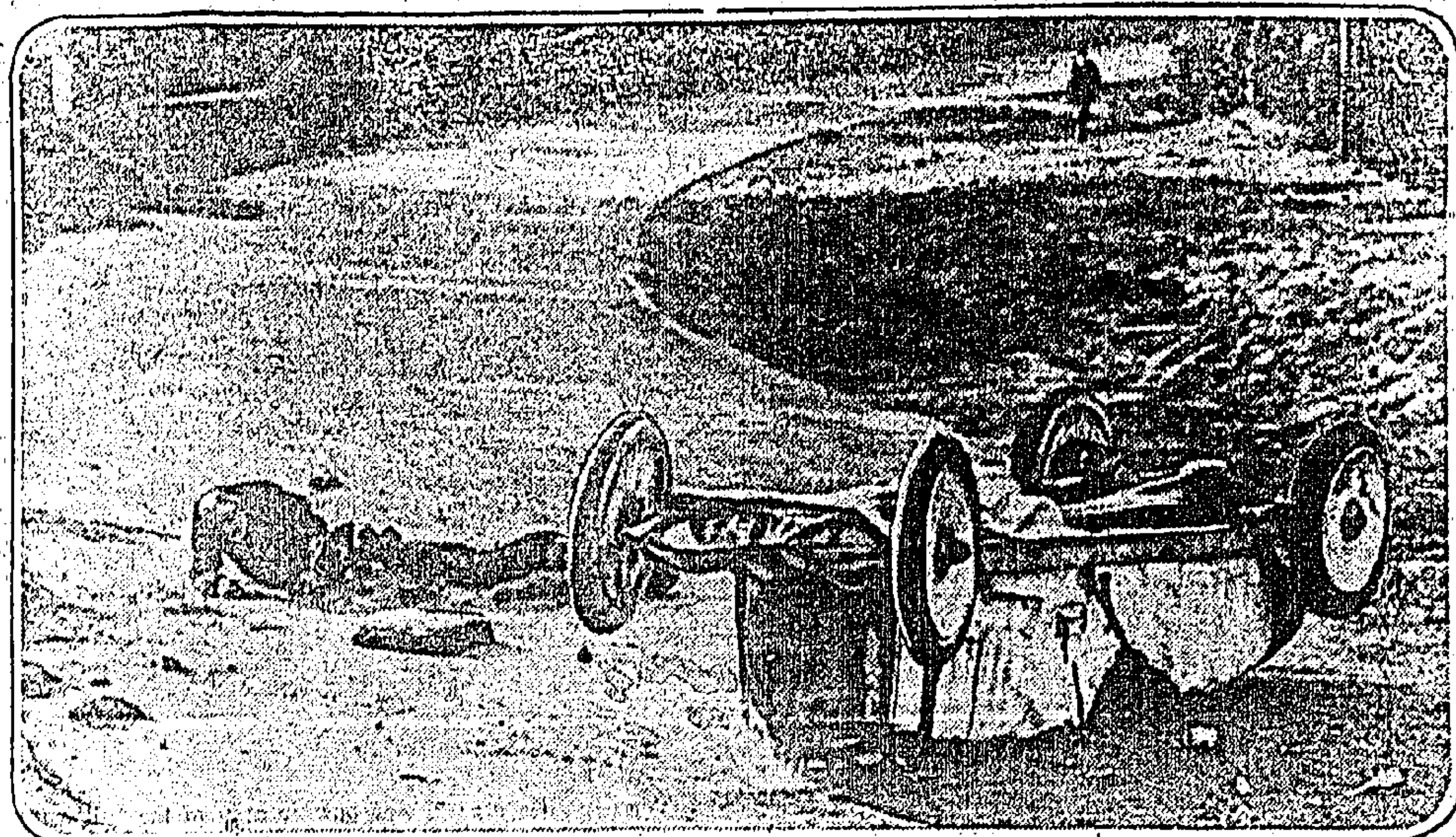
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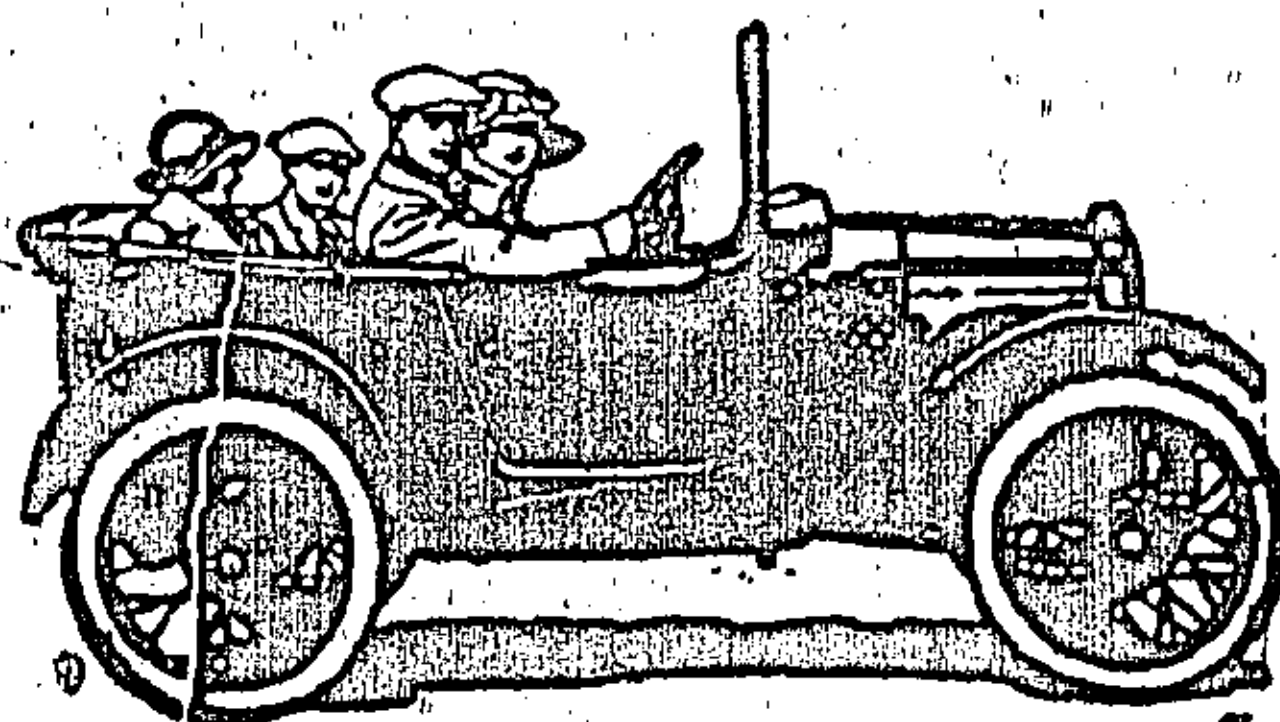
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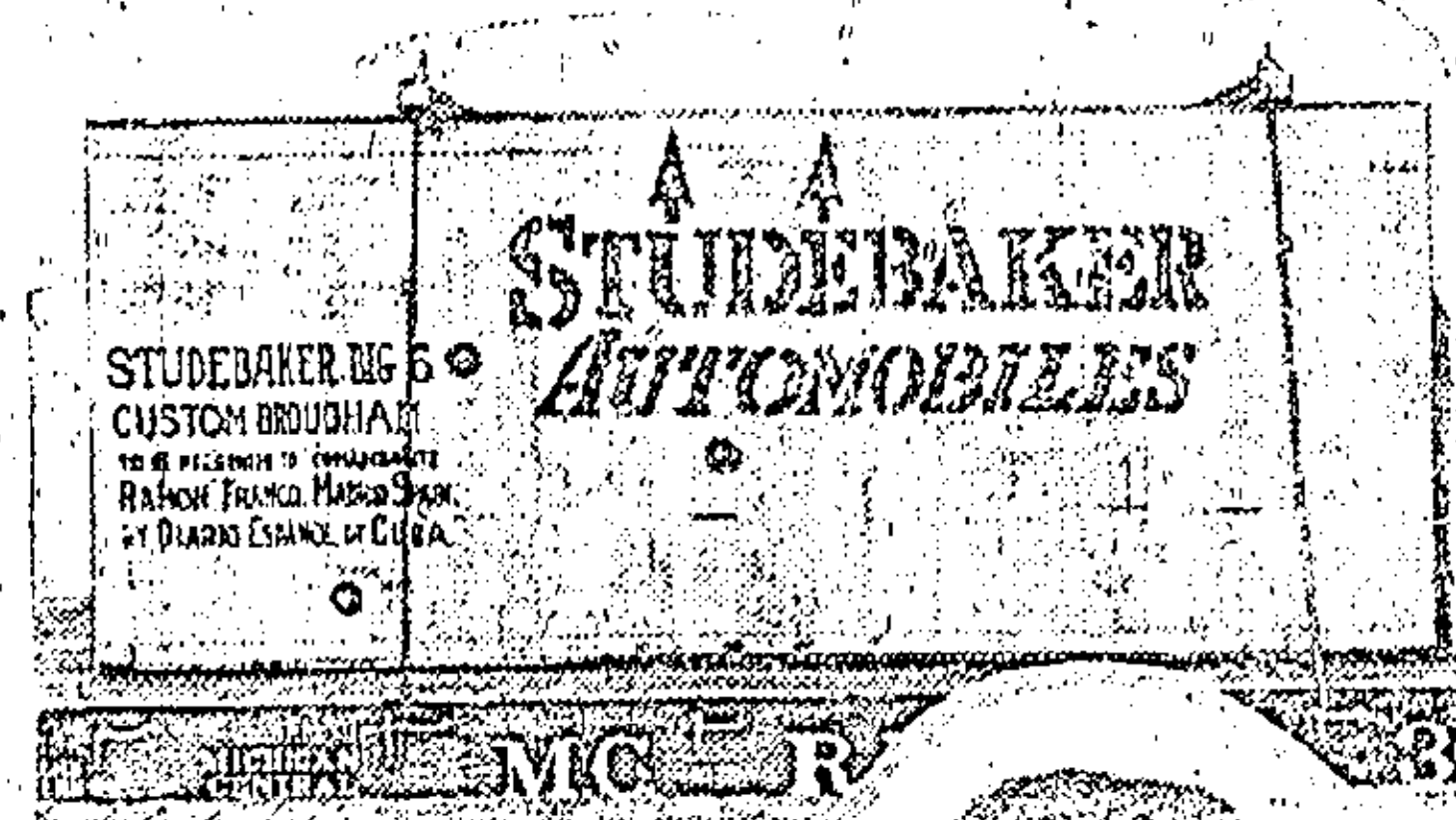
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SPANISH AIR HERO PRESENTED WITH NEW STUDEBAKER.



Commandante Ramon Franco of the Spanish Air Service, the first aviator to cross the Atlantic from East to West, was presented with a Studebaker Big Six Custom Brougham by the people of Havana, Cuba as a tribute to his daring. The car is here shown boxed ready for shipment to Madrid where it was presented to him.



ANTI-GLARE HEADLIGHT.

As a token of recognition for the extraordinary services he has performed for Spain, Commandante Ramon Franco of the Spanish Air Service, hero of the war in Morocco, and the first aviator to cross the Atlantic from East to West, was presented with a Studebaker Big Six Custom Brougham October 1st, at Madrid. The people of Havana, Cuba, made up a purse, immediately after the completion of the flight, with which to purchase for Commandante Franco a Studebaker car as a tribute to his daring in linking Spain and South America by air. No other figure in recent Spanish history has so captivated the public fancy as Ramon Franco. Hailed by all Spaniards as the "Columbus of the Air", he is looked on as the one who shall have led in the revival of Spanish national glory. To them Commandante Franco's flight is a happy augury of the glory which Spanish adventurers may again bring to old Spain.

The day that Franco and his crew slipped down into Buenos Aires, at the end of their journey, a national holiday was declared in Spain. Much as Commandante Franco was honoured in Spain, it remained for South America to give him the gigantic celebration. For more than a week after the completion of his flight, business in Buenos Aires was at a standstill. People clogged the streets as during a carnival.

The flight which has done so much to unite all Spanish speaking peoples, was sponsored by the Spanish Air Service, under the direction of Primo de Rivera, premier of Spain, as a demonstration of the efficiency of the Spanish Air Service. The plane in which the flight was made has been presented by Spain to the government of the Argentine.

Many French motorists have adopted the use of a headlight placed high on the rear of the car. The beam of the light is directed to the right curb of the road and tends to eliminate the glare experienced by approaching motorists.

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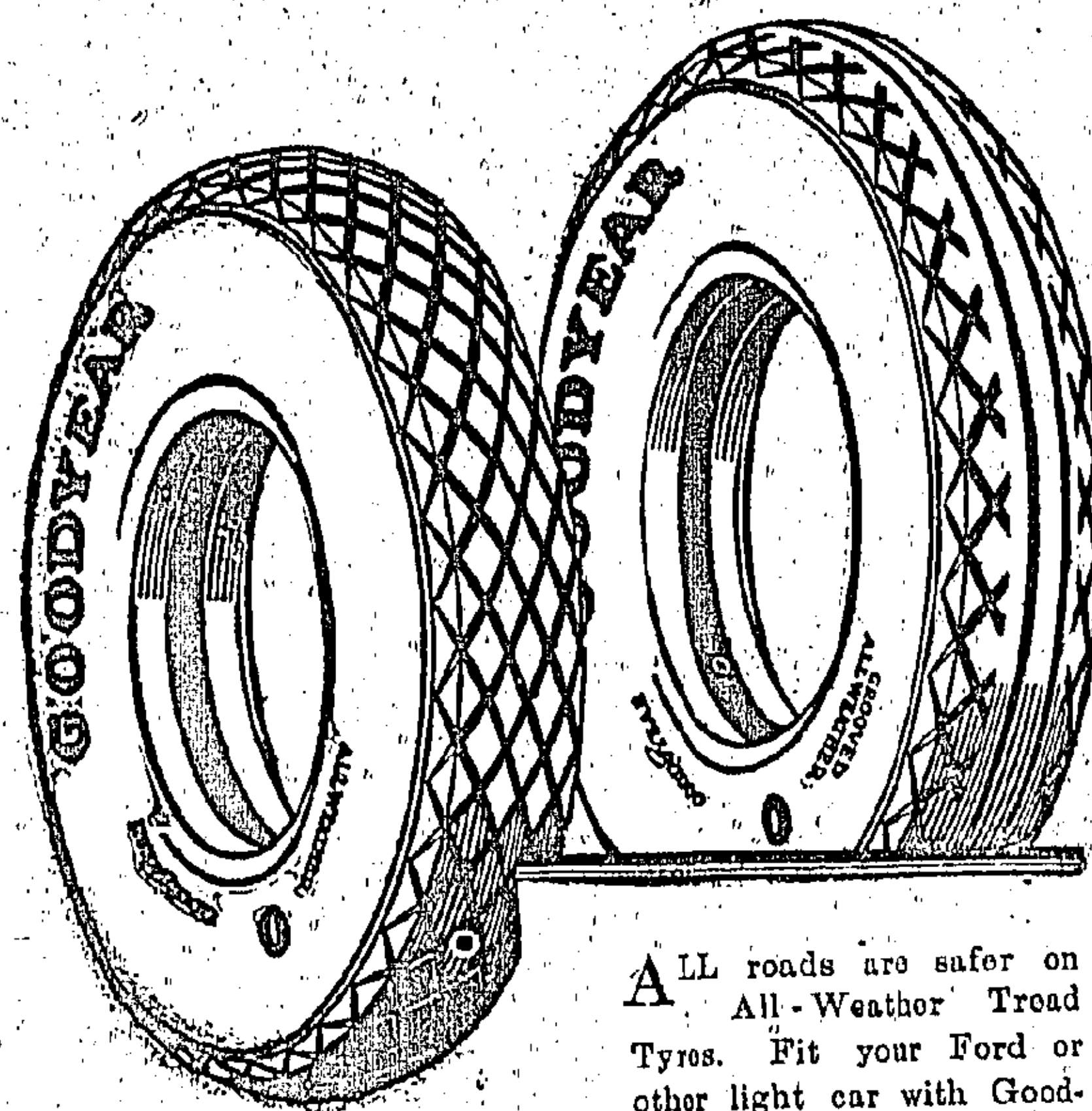


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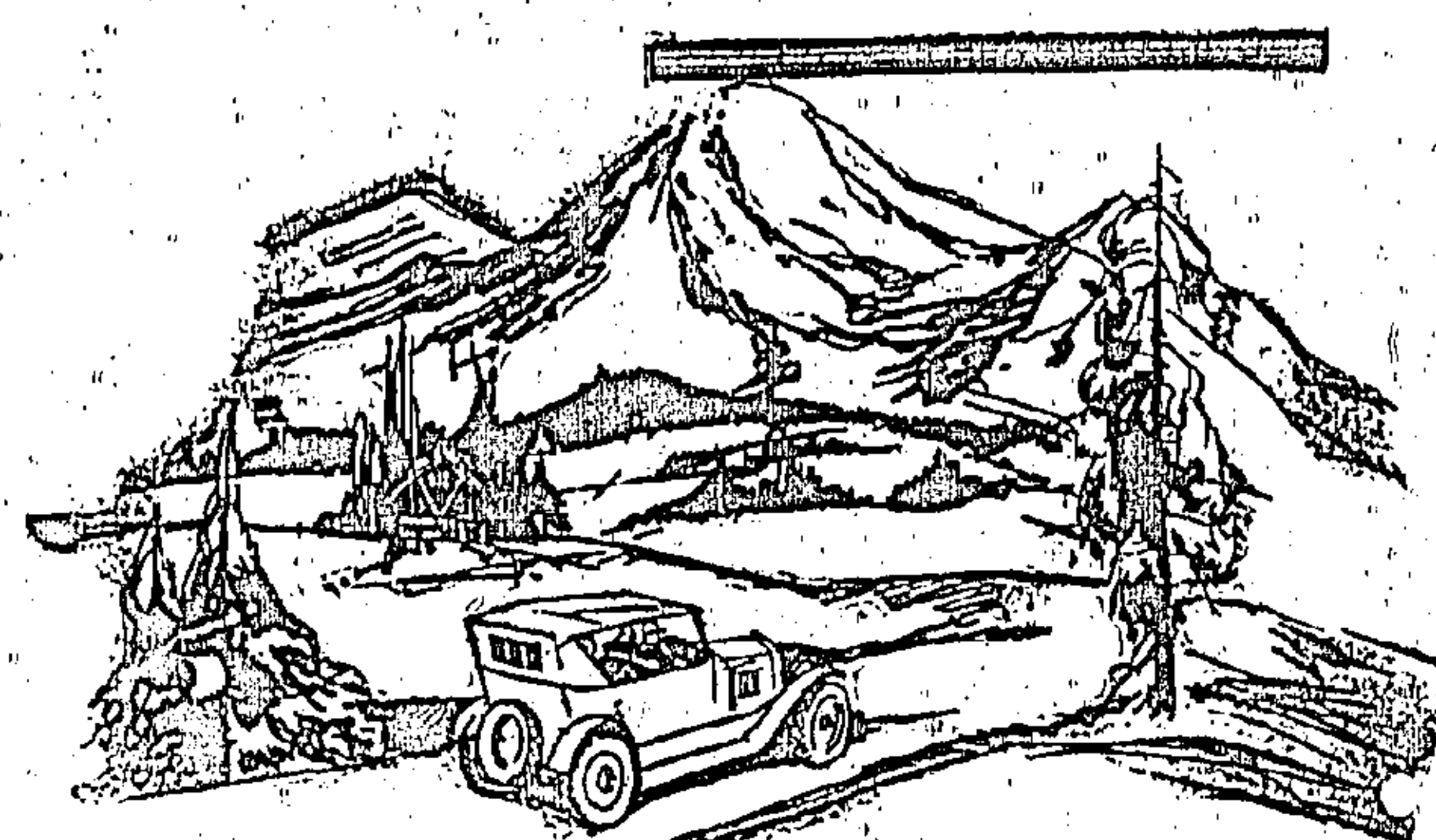
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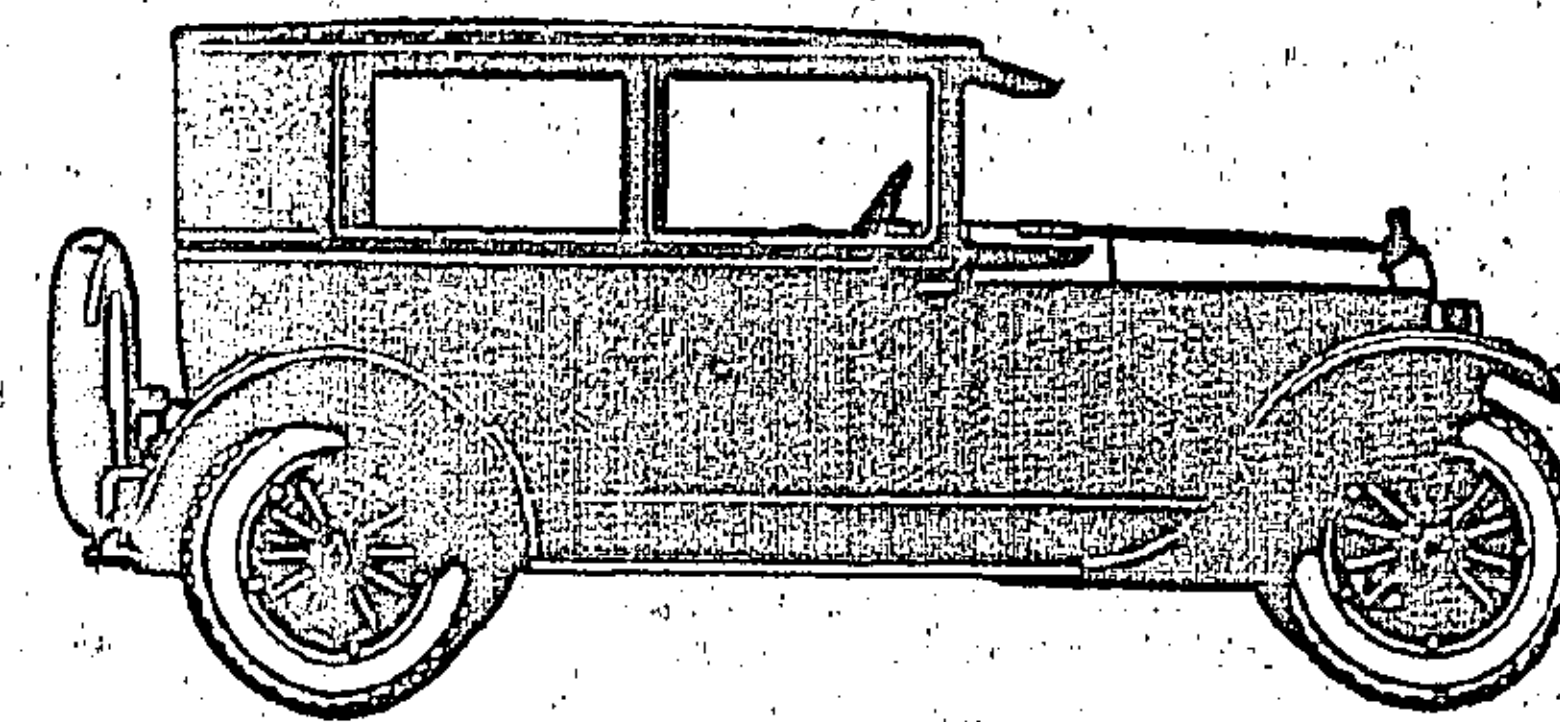
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A COMBINE AGAINST THE NATIONALISTS.

According to a Chinese news agency, General Luk Wing-ting, the former Kwangsi war-lord, has had a lengthy interview in Peking with Marshal Chang Tso-lin in the course of which Luk Wing-ting advocated the formation of a "Confederation" between Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Yunnan, Kweichow and Szechuan, to be known as the Southwest An-Kuo Army, in order to split the strength of the Nationalist armies now concentrated on the Yangtze Valley. He laid great stress on the fact that representatives of the dissatisfied generals of Szechuan and Kweichow were already in Peking with instructions to negotiate with Marshal Chang Tso-lin.

It is stated that the total forces available under the command of the Szechuan and Kweichow generals is about 200,000 strong, whilst General Tang Chi-yao, of Yunnan, has an army of 30,000 men ready for active service, and Luk Wing-ting himself declares that he could rally to his standard 100,000 men from Kwangsi and Kwangtung. With such a combination, together with the troops of Marshal Wu Pei-fu and Marshal Sun Chuan-lang, acting in union, the Nationalist armies could be completely invested.

With regard to this proposition, it is said Marshal Chang Tso-lin and General Yang Yu-ting, his Chief of Staff, have given it their tentative approval, and it is said that Luk Wing-ting has been appointed a member of the Marshal's Council.

It is also reported that the recent abandonment of Bao Fow by the Kuomintang was due to the rapid advance of the Fengtien troops which forced a Kuomintang retreat to Kansu. In this retreat, it is said, five million dollars worth of munitions had to be abandoned and were captured by the Fengtien forces.

By this movement the Fengtien forces have struck a hard blow on the Kuomintang, as the munitions will take months to replace. Hence military operations in Hunan will be somewhat delayed, until the Southern armies have rushed up sufficient forces to carry on the war in this region.

Military activities on a large scale are reported in the South and East of Honan, indicating that the Allies are forcing the issue of war in that province, and big battles may be expected to be fought for the control of the Peking-Hankow Railway.

TO-NIGHT'S PANTOMIME

TO AID DESERVING CAUSE.

Judging by all that one hears, there is going to be much fun and amusement for the audience at to-night's Pantomime "Little Red Riding Hood" which is being put on at the Theatre Royal by the "Little Mimmers." At the final rehearsal on Wednesday, everything went extremely well and confirmed the opinion that Hongkong is going to have a real old-fashioned pantomime.

As has been announced, the effort is on behalf of Dr. Barnardo's Homes and it is to be hoped that there will be large support, not only for the sake of the enjoyment which the show will most assuredly provide, but also for the very excellent object which it is aimed to benefit.

A CHINESE "STILL."

CRUDE METHOD OF MANUFACTURE.

On our Picture Page to-day, appears a photograph of a Hongkong boot-legger's "still." As will be seen, it is a weird-looking assortment of pots and pans, representing the manufacturing plant of an unlicensed Chinese wine-distiller arrested by Hongkong Revenue Officers recently at Pokfulam.

As to the process of distilling, it should be explained that the grain is boiled in the flat pan, by means of a slow-burning charcoal fire contained in the rattan stand, and the resulting alcohol-charged vapour rises through holes in the upper container, where it condenses and percolates through the spout into a jar.

Our picture is by the Police Headquarters Photo Department.

MIXED GRILL
A Merry Miscellany
Ashley Sterne

Once again, messmates—o my Mixed Grill, it is my pleasure and privilege to present you with my private greeting-card, which I shall feel proud and honoured if you will cut out and keep on your mantel-piece along with the gas-bill and the Demand Note for payment on Schedule D:—

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Writing about the inordinate craving for animal food displayed by certain native tribes in S.E. Africa, a traveller states that on one occasion he saw a small child of seven consume its own bulk of meat at one meal. Browning was probably thinking of something of the sort when he wrote those well-known words, "The little maw and how much it is!"

You know the old superstition that every mince-pie you eat before Christmas Day ensures you a



month of happiness in the New Year? Well, my earnest advice to you is, don't waste time and temper trying it on. I experimented with twelve pies last December, and look what happened to me during the past year! For guidance I would add that each "happiness" began on the first day of the month and continued to the last.

January.—Severe bout of dyspepsia, induced by said mince-pies. Subsided entirely on lathsome diet of tapioca, rusks, and soda-mint.

February.—Baby in adjoining flat began teething, chiefly at midnight.

March.—Aunt Louisa (87) came to spend the day with me and spent 31.

April.—Bad attack of mumps, followed by three weeks' isolation.

May.—Workmen in house doing repairs. Slept in the scullery sink with my head on the plate-rack and one foot jammed in the waste-pipe.

June.—Occupier of flat immediately above began to learn the saxophone.

July.—Fourteen million mosquitoes came to live with me.

August.—Spent rollicking holiday with Aunt Louisa at Scotch hydropathic establishment (unlicensed).

September.—Got engaged, through inadvertence.

October.—Tried to get urgent trunk-call through to Manchester.

November.—Had all my teeth out except two, and these were on opposite sides of my mouth.

December.—(Up-to-date) Been standing every day in a coal queue.

"The modern tendency," says a newspaper article, commenting on the lapsing of Christmas customs, "is to ignore the family dinner-table on Christmas Day, and for each member of the family to go off independently." From which I infer that the present generation has no use for central eating."

A lady reader has written to thank me for the recipe for Christmas pudding which I gave in this column a year or so ago. "My boys still play soccer with it," she writes, "and except for the fact that the polish is fading and that two of the raisins are missing, it is as good as new." I may add that my own pudding which I made from the same recipe is, alas! no longer with me. After serving for many months as a knob on the newel-post of my staircase, I yielded to temptation the other day and sold it to the Chinese War Office as a cannon-ball.

USEFUL HINTS FOR CHRISTMAS.

Remember that Christmas Day is also Quarter Day, and that the injunction to exercise goodwill towards men is intended to apply even to landlords.

The 4.28 p.m. from Ipswich to Peebles does not run on Christmas Day.

To avoid disappointment, note that the so-called "jewelled" crackers sold in the shops at half-a-crown the box do not contain real jewels.

Christmas puddings for Tristan da Cunha, the Solomon Islands, and Taitia's Bay, ought to have been posted last February.

Don't forget the year. It's no good scratching out the writing on the back of the Keats Calendar for 1926 which Aunt Agatha sent you last Christmas and then bunging it on to Jamaica.

Don't give away "your surplus pudding and mince-pies to tramps. Remember, you may be a tramp yourself one day.

THE CAROL OF GOOD KING WENCESLAS.

Good King Wenceslas look out Through his drawing-room curtain: "Look!" cried he, "some tramp's around.

At the back, I'm certain. Heed him not, though, good my page.

For the frost is cruel, And my crown and orb I'll wage He's only gathering fuel.

"Lots of boughs and legs and sticks Lie scattered in the garden—He can have them all for nix! My heart I cannot harder In this weather cold and bleak 'Gainst this varrant sinner. Go, my page, and bring him quick Into here to dinner!"

Out the page went in the snow As his lord commanded, But returned in half-a-mo'

"Alone and empty-handed. 'Sire, that tramp's a villain rascal."

His voice was hoarse with passion—'He's bunked not only with our wood, But all next week's coal-ration!"

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HAWAII TOURIST BUREAU

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The scene of Oliver Twist's memorable audacity in asking for more, as all lovers of Dickens know, was Mint-street Workhouse, Southwark.

Southwark Borough Council has decided to seek powers by means of a Bill to be promoted by the L.C.C. to acquire by agreement the freehold interest in a part of the workhouse, which was closed some time ago for poor law purposes.

It was the home in his early days of Oliver Twist, and the copper from which the gruel was ladled into the basin held by the trembling hands of the pauper boy is now in the possession of the borough council. It was also in the locality of Mint-street Workhouse that Little Dorrit spent her childhood days.

One of the largest contracts for complete electric railway equipment ever placed in this country—the value exceeds £200,000—has been obtained by the Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Company. This contract is in connection with the suburban electrification scheme of the Southern Railway, and covers the supply of complete electrical equipment for 232 motor coaches of 550 horse-power each and 210 trail coaches.

An old drag coach belonging to Royal Artillery officers stationed at Shorncliffe was used at the wedding of Sergeant J. C. Seaford and Miss Burrell at Folkestone Parish Church, the six horses being driven by three fellow sergeants.

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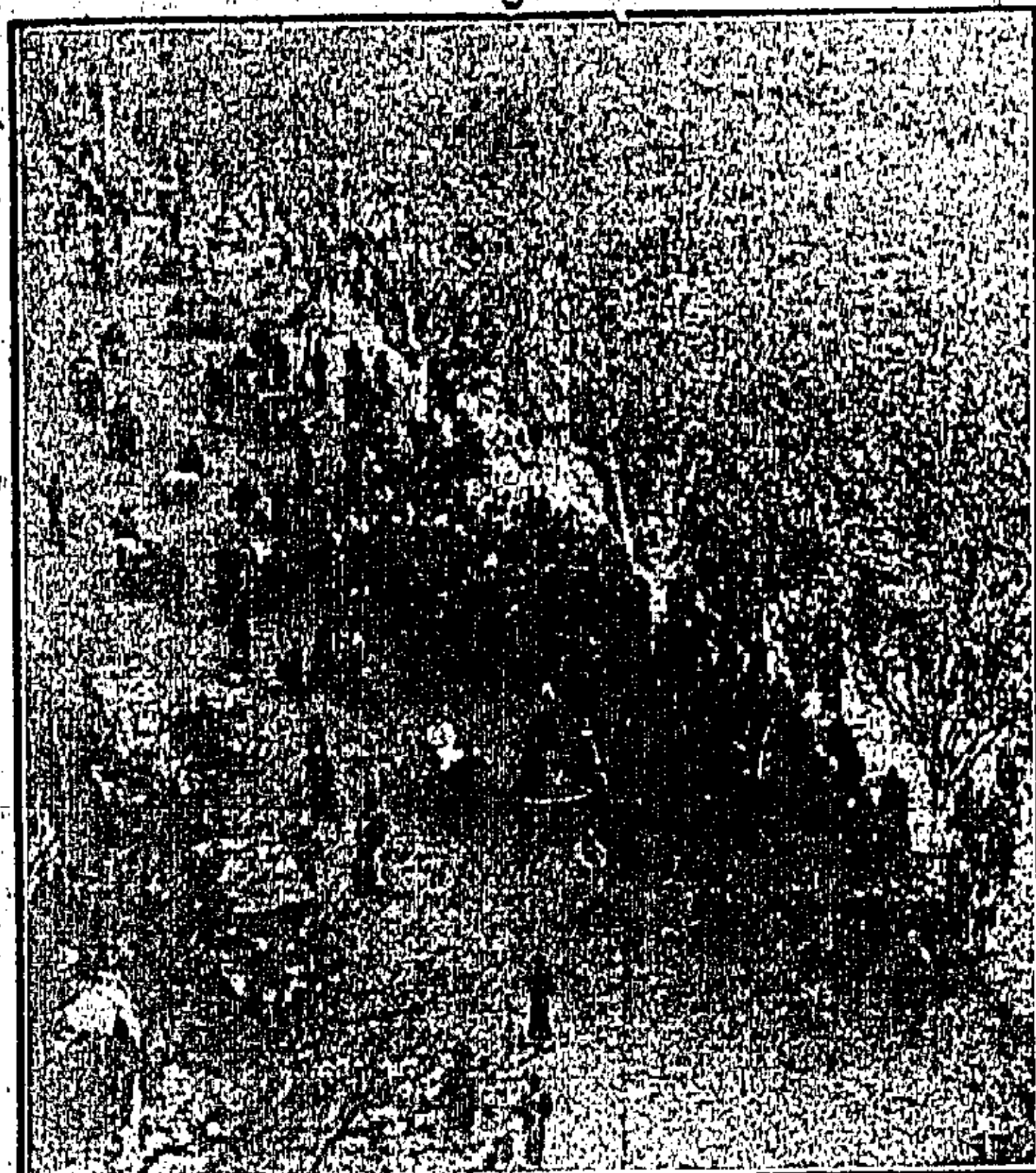
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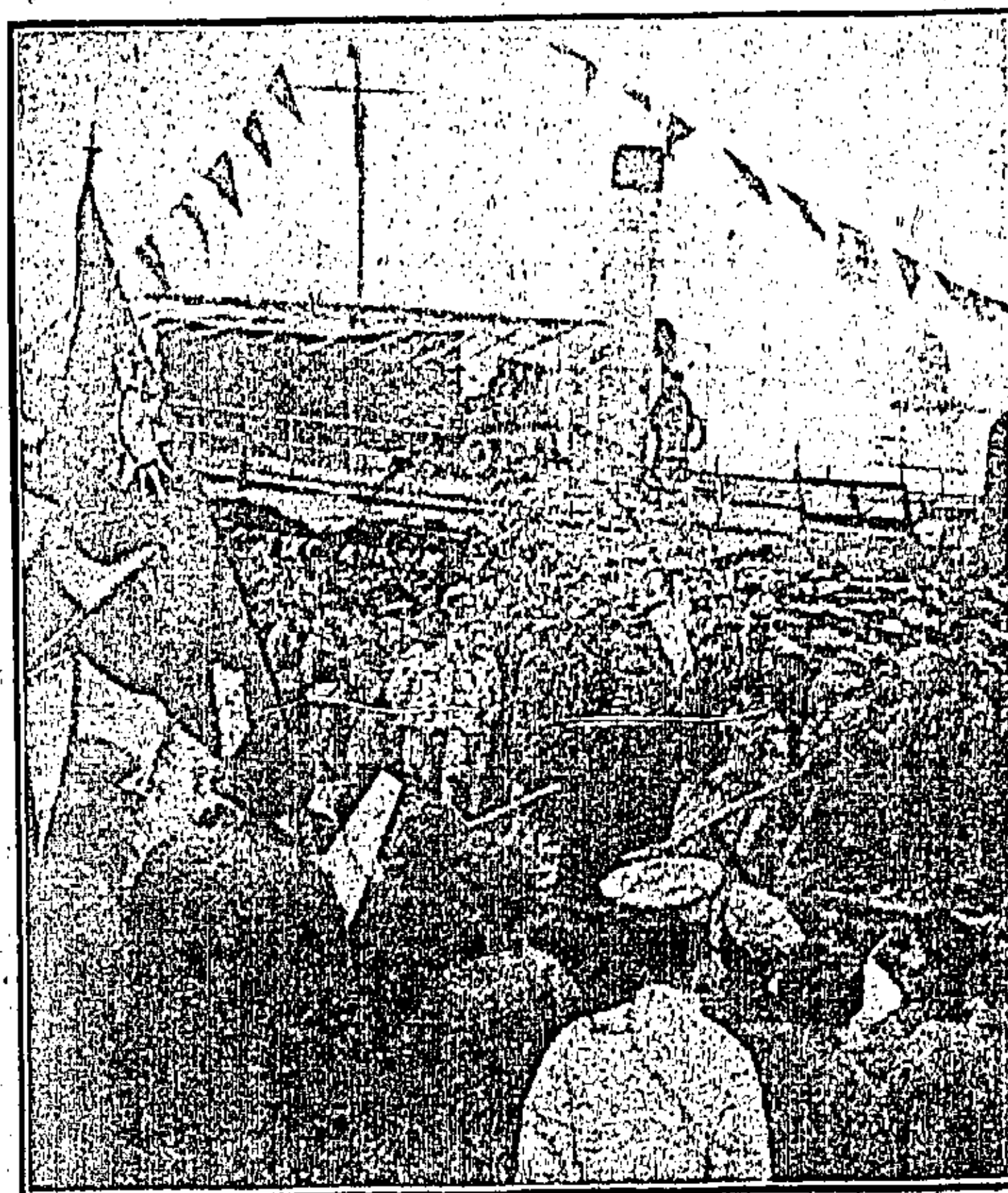
RECENT HANKOW HAPPENINGS.



This photo, taken from the roof of the A. P. C. building, shows Chinese agitators gathered at the British War Memorial.



A bird's-eye picture of Chinese troops marching along the Bund in the British Concession.



General Chang Kai-shek, followed by Mrs. Sun Fo and Mrs. Borodin, coming ashore at Hankow.



General Chang Kai-shek snapped as he came ashore at Hankow, near the Customs House.

FAMOUS CLUB.

CONVERTED INTO A COMPANY.

White's of London, the oldest and most famous club in the world, is to be floated as a company.

Founded in 1697, it has been for centuries the exclusive home of aristocrats and sportsmen. It has on its list of members, past and present, a great number of the most famous names in British history.

It is the gaming room at the first White's, which was burned down in 1793, which is depicted in Hogarth's "Rake's Progress," with the members so intent on their play as neither to see the flames nor hear the watchmen who are bursting into the room to give the alarm.

In Genesis.

It was about the end of the seventeenth century that a company of gentlemen, who had been in the habit of meeting at what was then called White's Chocolate House, assembled formally to draw up rules, and at the gathering White's Club was born.

As the years went on, memberships became one of the hall marks of gentility, when gaming for high stakes was the pastime of every gentleman of fashion—with now and then a duel to follow.

As far back as 1754 "The Connoisseur" contained an article describing gambling as White's in ornate style. One phrase was: "Estates are almost as frequently made over by whist and hazard as deeds and settlements, and the charlottes of our nobility may be said to roll upon the four aces."

At White's they would bet on anything, as long as the wager was not for a small sum.

Famous Sportsmen.

It is recorded that Lord Eglington staked 100 guineas that "he finds a man who shall kill twenty ships in three-and-twenty shots. Lord Montford took ten to one from five members against his riding 35, 25, 20, 15, 10, and 5 miles in successive days. He won his bet.

A favourite wager was to stake money on which of two persons would outlive the other. There were bets on whether a certain actor would live longer than a particular Bishop, and the life of a privy councillor was once set against that of a noted courtesan.

Eccentrics.

Tales of the eccentrics who visited White's are numerous. There was Lord Alvanley, who would have a cold apricot tart served for his lunch every day, and Lord Allen, who could not sleep away from the noise of London traffic.

Perhaps the best modern story of White's concerns Mr. Arthur Bouchier and Hewitt, a hall porter. Bouchier was playing "Henry VIII" and grew a beard which the porter had not seen.

Bouchier asked for his letters and the porter asked, "What name?"

"Henry VIII," replied Mr. Bouchier.

Hewitt solemnly opened the book containing names of those permitted within the portals. Then after a lengthy examination he observed, "No longer a member."

A NEW TENOR.

POLICE SINGER WHO OUT-CARUSO'S CARUSO.

A new Polish Tenor, Jan Klepura, has scored triumphs in Budapest. He recently concluded a short engagement at the Budapest Opera House, where he created immense enthusiasm.

His singing of the air in the second act of Faust aroused so much excitement that the opera could not be continued, and the conductor was obliged to concede an encore—a proceeding extremely rare in Budapest, where artistic tradition is taken seriously.

The critics declare that the word "marvellous" is sufficient description of the quality and range of Klepura's voice. They suggest that the advertising of Klepura as "the second Caruso" is inadequate, and that, considering that his age is twenty-four and his professional experience limited to one year, he should be called not a "second Caruso," but "the first Klepura."

Klepura himself calls his career up to the present merely an episode, and admits that he has much to learn. Some months ago he travelled from Warsaw to Vienna with the intention of remaining two days, but an accidental meeting with an impresario who had known him in Warsaw resulted in his making a contract to remain at the Vienna Opera for two years.

BANK ROMANCE.

FREE & EASY DAYS.

Bank clerks the world over owe a debt of gratitude to an assistant in a Stamford bank 56 years ago, who, by his dishonesty, established for them the principle of an annual fortnight's holiday.

This nameless hero was a paragon of industry and regularity, who never took a holiday. Then one day he fell ill.

Somebody else took over his books, and his grim secret was out. He had been embezzling, and to cover his defalcation had forgone his holidays, so that no one should find the faked entries in his ledgers.

Every officer of the bank should be obliged to take one holiday annually of not less than 14 consecutive days' absence from the bank.

So it is related in a monumental "History of Barclays Bank, Limited," just published, which in effect is a history of British banking from the days of the goldsmith-bankers to the days of the "Big Five."

Cab Fare Tip.

Banks had some very free and easy ways in the middle of the last century. When the manager of the "Leaves" bank had to send £2,000 or £3,000 to London every Monday morning, his method was—

To walk along the platform for the London train, and select an obliging and reliable customer of the bank who could be entrusted to take the cash up to Williams Deacon's and Co. The customer always received half a crown for his cab fare.

There is a good story of Lord Darlington's failure to break the Backhouse bank in Darlington.

The earl instructed his tenants to pay their rents in Backhouse notes, and planned to let these accumulate till he had a greater number than the banker could pay in gold on sudden demand.

But Backhouse got wind of the scheme, and posted to London for bullion to meet the notes. On his way back in a postchaise with the gold, one of the front wheels came off. Rather than wait for a new wheel the banker piled the gold at the back of the carriage to balance the loss of the wheel.

With his cash and wagon thus balanced he drove into Darlington on three wheels, and had all the gold he needed when the earl presented his notes.

The volume, edited and compiled by Messrs. P. W. Matthews and Anthony W. Tuke, is available to the public at two guineas.

BLUE BOOK HUMOUR.

"CLEARED THE DECKS AND PUMPED OUT BILGE."

Flashes of humour, and phrases containing a tang of the sea, give sparkle to a Blue Book issued by the Industrial Assurance Commissioners.

It seems as if the public were at last going to get brighter Blue Books!

Yet the title of this volume of 120 pages, issued by the Stationery Office (2s. 6d.) would not lead one to hope for light reading within its covers. It is called

Industrial Assurance Commissioner for the Year ended 31 Dec., 1925, presented pursuant to the Industrial Assurance Act, (13 and 14 Geo. V., cap. 8), Section 44.

By the beginning of 1925, explains the Commissioner, his preliminary work had been practically completed. Then he goes on breezily—

"But no one would suppose that the Commissioner, having cleared the decks and pumped out the bilge, spent his time in 1925 reposing with head on his swab."

No, sir. During 1925, 555 disputes and applications were disposed of, as against 390 in 1924, and in the process a considerable number of new points of assurance law were settled.

"Country In Between."

"It will be seen," proceeds the writer, "that in the course of his labours the Commissioner had to make journeys to a large number of the most attractive spots in England, Wales and Scotland."

"Luckily there is some country in between!"

The Commissioner acknowledges his indebtedness to various local authorities for placing a court or room at his disposal—usually free of charge!

In one case in which a fee was charged it was described as being the same as for a coroner's inquest. "A curious, but perhaps not altogether inappropriate, parallel," he jovially comments.

A BIRTH MYSTERY.

YOUNG LADY REFUSES TO ANSWER.

Miss Josephine O'Dare, a pretty, dark-haired young woman, who has declared that she intends to win the Derby in 1928, refused to divulge certain information at the London Bankruptcy Court recently, and was told several times that she would be reported to the judge.

On one occasion the Registrar observed: "The only obvious remark that I can make on that is that you are a liar."

After the luncheon interval Miss O'Dare was missing for some time, but she arrived at the court a little before 3 o'clock.

The statement of affairs filed in the bankruptcy showed liabilities of £5,503, and assets showing a surplus of £7,430. She attributed her failure to having lived beyond her income and to losses on investments and by betting. Her address was given as Parklane, W.

Miss O'Dare said she came to London in 1921. Her means at that time consisted of an allowance of £1,000 which she received through Mr. Thomas Dobbs, solicitor of Worcester. She declined to give the name of the person from whom she had the allowance.

Born in Shanghai?

The Registrar ordered her to write down the name, but she refused, adding that her presence in court was due to malice.

"I shall report you to the judge," said the Registrar.

Miss O'Dare adhered to an earlier statement that she was born in Shanghai in 1902. She was so informed by a Birmingham solicitor, whose name she refused to give.

The Registrar: That will be another matter to be reported to the judge.

Mr. Alcorn, the Official Receiver, produced a passport in which Miss O'Dare had declared that she was born at Bray, County Dublin.

Miss O'Dare: It is my signature, but I cannot make out how it came to be there.

Mr. Alcorn: Which is the lie—that you were born in Shanghai or the other?—Neither.

You also give the date of your birth as 1901.—That last is wrong.

Miss O'Dare said she was recommended to sign that declaration by a Mr. Wilfrid Burton, a solicitor, of Birmingham, an acquaintance of hers. She did not know that since she was at the court last John Skrym, of Hereford, had sworn that she was born in wedlock and was the daughter of his wife, and not an adopted daughter. She was born, she said, 12 miles from Shanghai. Mr. Dobbs could produce the certificate.

She explained that she received a gift of £7,000 when she was 21, in 1923, and a few weeks later a further £5,000. The money came through Mr. Dobbs. She knew more or less where it came from, but would not say.

Since 1923, she added, she had received a voluntary allowance of £2,000. This money came through Mr. Dobbs quarterly, but again she declined to state the name of the person who made the allowance.

Miss O'Dare said she was taking steps to set aside the latest will of Mr. Edwin Docker, under which the money was left to his son, in favour of a former will, by which she was a legatee for £15,000. The examination was adjourned for the debtor to supply the further accounts required.

PROTECTION OF ALPINE FLOWERS.

ACTION AGAINST THOUGHTLESS TOURISTS.

Rome, December 8.—Through the initiative of the Prefect of the Venezia Tridentina, and with the intervention of the Italian Touring Club, a vigorous campaign for the protection of the Alpine flora has begun with the decree that forbids—

I. The breaking or uprooting of flowers and plants.

II. The gathering of flowers growing on other people's ground, except in very small quantity.

III. Trading in flowers, with or without roots.

This precaution had been made necessary by the thoughtless action of tourists, including foreigners, who are in the habit of coming back from the mountains carrying enormous loads of flowers, especially rhododendrons, and causing damage of various kinds.

HIDDEN IN HAYLOFT.

HUSBAND "LOST" FOR THREE YEARS.

The Berlin correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian* says:—A weird and terrible story of a workman named Hugo Pressor, who was found after having been lost for over three years is told in the "Tag."

Pressor, whose home is near Coblenz married in 1922. He went to live with his father-in-law. He was unemployed, and seems to have been mentally deficient, although quite harmless.

One day his father-in-law told him to find work or leave the house.

Pressor was frightened, and hid himself in a hayloft. He remained there for two years his wife bringing him food every day.

Wife Tires.

The neighbours believed he had left the district, and had become a tramp. At the end of two years his wife grew tired of him, and decided to obtain a divorce.

She had little difficulty in doing so, for the story that he had ill-treated and abandoned her was believed.

This was in May, 1925. Thereupon her visits to the hayloft became less frequent, and sometimes she would leave him without food for days.

She also took his clothes away lest he should venture outdoors and reveal his presence.

Weak From Hunger.

About three months ago her father died. Strangers came to occupy his rooms, and chancing into the hayloft they discovered Hugo Pressor.

He was in a pitiable condition, weak and emaciated by hunger, more skin and bone huddled in a few rags, his hair hanging down his neck, his finger nails two inches long.

He was taken to hospital. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of his wife.

IN PARLIAMENT.

SOCIALIST ATTACK ON BRITISH COLONISTS.

Some of the minor Socialists made an ungraceful attack on British colonists when the Bill to enable the Government to guarantee loans for development in East Africa and Palestine was considered in committee.

Mr. Dalton (Sec. Peckham) moved an amendment to omit Kenya from the benefits of the loan on the ground that the Social Party objected to recent ordinances in Kenya promoting the flow of labour from the native reserves to the estates of the white planters.

Other Socialists joined him in allegations that the natives were being exploited by the British. This drew a sharp rebuke from Mr. Ormsby-Gore, the Under-Secretary for the Colonies, who, in resisting the amendment, said that the British settler in Kenya was singled out to be blackmailed by people who had never been to the country. It was unfair to say that these Britishers were different from any others.

Mr. Johnston (Sec. Dundee): Of course they are not.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore: Does the hon. member object to the whole lot?

Mr. Johnston: Land grabbers, that's what they are.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore: If that is the view, why not say "Hands off all these native countries and keep the white man out"? That is the logical conclusion, but it would not be to the ultimate advantage of the natives.

Many of the settlers, he explained, lived in the bush in mud houses. To imagine they were slave-drivers was ridiculous.

The amendment was defeated without a division.

Mr. Andrew Robertson, who died at the age of 90 at Highbury-on-Tyne, was 60 years with Messrs. Hawthorn, Leslie and Co., ship-builders, and as a foreman shipwright held the record of launching about 460 ships.

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You can have them, if you wish. That's been proved times without number. But not by continuing with old methods of cleansing and of brushing.

How to gain them—quickly. There's a film on your teeth. Run your tongue across your teeth and you can feel it. Beneath it are the pretty teeth you envy in others. Ordinary methods won't successfully remove it.

That is why this test is offered. For when you remove that film, you'll be surprised at what you find. You may actually have beautiful teeth already—and yet not realize it! Find out!

What that film is

Most tooth troubles now are traced to film. It clings to teeth, gets into crevices and stays. Germs by the millions breed in it. And they, with tartar, are the chief cause of pyorrhea and decay. That film, too, absorbs stains—stains from food, from smoking,

from various causes. And that is why your teeth look "off color."

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WOMAN'S WORLD



OVER THE TEA CUPS.

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BY "JOAN.")

London, December 23 1926.
A glance at Stephanie's contribution to this page reminds me of a generally accepted fallacy—that a little girl is so much easier to dress than a boy, because one can make her look so pretty. Because it is possible to make a little girl look pretty, I cannot see how that makes it any "easier". Quite the contrary: just in the same way that women are bewildered by the hundreds of hats from which they may choose their everyday "felt", while a man in similar circumstances goes and buys a bowler or a trilby—as his wife or fancy dictates—so one has this overwhelming choice and possibility of pitfalls with little girls' clothes.

The dress which Stephanie has sketched is distinctly of the "party" variety, when even the most Spartan mother would release her child from the thrall of the "sensible"; and you can picture how delightful this little frock is in soft blue or pink georgette or crepe de chine, trimmed with some extra specially attractive lace. It has the advantage also of being a style suitable for maidens of from six to sixteen.

Margaret has deliberately put temptation our way this week by sketching a gold tissue jumper suit; which, from my own point of view is particularly cruel, in that I have, since the early Spring, been trying to rid my mind of a silver tissue one of the same kind which I saw worn by the leading lady during a season of Italian plays in London. However, as Oscar Wilde said, the best way of overcoming temptation is to yield to it (or words to that effect). I merely add that the skirt to be worn with the jumper, when you have acquired it, is planted crepe de chine. One more word in case you decide to disregard my advice!—and that is that these jumpers are worn for small evening affairs as well as for afternoon. As a final P.S. I should like to say that black-and-white is utterly and entirely incapable of reproducing the glory of these tissue jumpers. Oh, and by the way, silver for the blondes and gold for the brunettes is the correct order.

Is That So?

This week the little picture is of Mr. Arthur Bourchier, who needs no introduction. This Christmas he will again, delight thousands of kiddies (and grownups, needless to say) with his magnificently sinister portrayal of John Silver in Stevenson's "Treasure Island" and his theatre, the Strand. With the part of John Silver he "doubles" that of blind Pew, the latter being killed off in the first act—and a beautifully revolting personality he makes him. This sounds, I know, rather like the man in Mr. O'Casey's play who talked about "a darlin' funeral"; but if a personality must be revolting, then I prefer that he should be beautifully revolting.



In the early Spring, Bourchier is taking his company to South Africa, and doubtless "Treasure Island" will figure in their repertory. For while the spirit of adventure is particularly applicable to Christmas festivities, this is a the broiling sun and not lose its play that can be enjoyed under appeal.

The Home Beautiful.

One of the latest crazes in the way of decoration for walls is the employment of antique maps for this purpose. On the face of it, I admit, it doesn't sound very cheerful; but if you saw some of the maps, you would appreciate that they rival all the conventional birds and flowers, and they have the additional advantage that they do not become tedious when, owing to circumstances over which we have no control (i.e., being sent to bed in our youth, or falling victims to influenza in our adolescence) we are reduced to counting on the wall-paper.

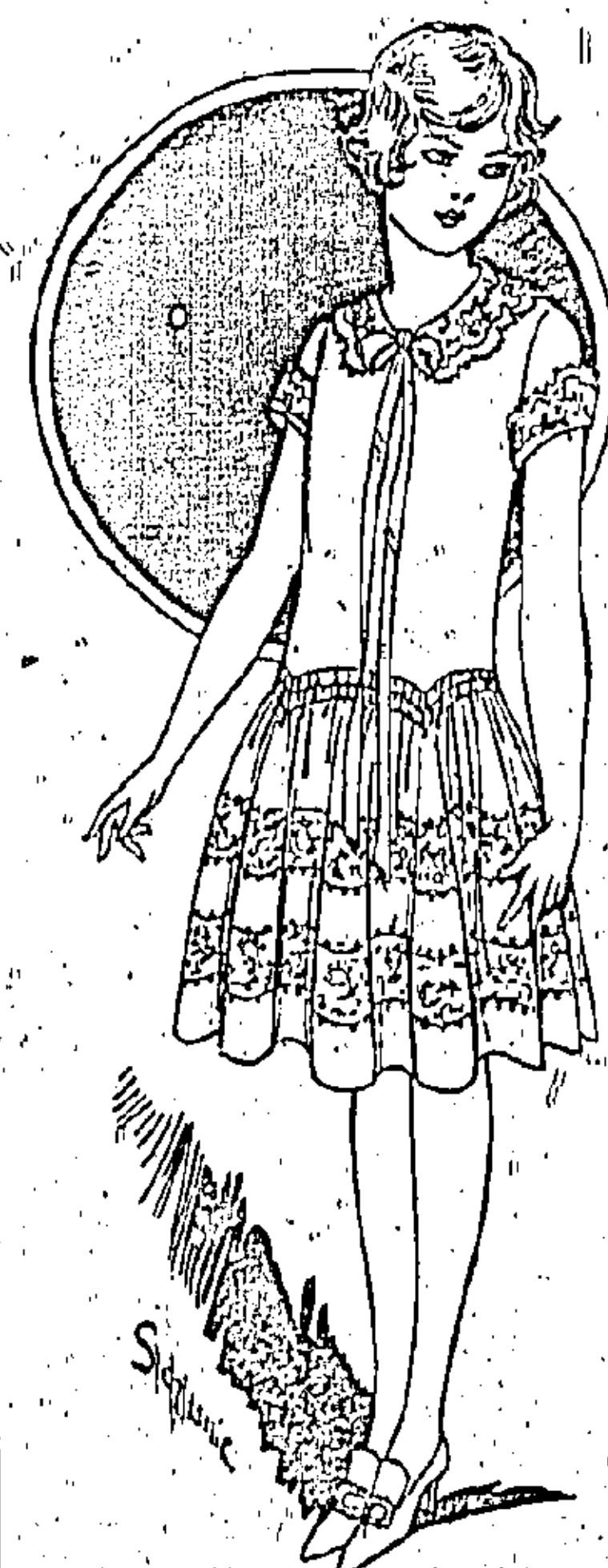
I had, when I commenced to write this paragraph, intended to talk to you very learnedly (with due reference to the printed details, of course) about the construction of these old maps; but I find they are a bit beyond me. For instance, it would be difficult to explain the why and wherefore of an ornate map in brown and red and gold, having in the centre (just where one would expect the British Isles to be—a charming design, consisting of a neat circle with a few Latin words in it, said circle being surmounted by two ladies poised precariously on some sort of agglomeration of crowns, anchors, and what-nots; the whole flanked by a couple of sea-serpents! When I tell you that this is only one of four equally attractive and intricate designs offered for my approval, you will understand the possibilities of home decoration under the auspices of what is termed, officially, "An aesthetic revival of old-time geography". Seriously, however, these maps are very attractive, and certainly offer a chance for the "original" woman.



The model which you view from the back is in of green panne velvet. Down the back are long drapes which fall in straight uncomplicated lines from shoulder to ankle. On the right shoulder strap are green poppies in many shades. Shadow lace in deep rich red forms the model with the butterfly wings. The pattern is outlined in gold sequins. The third model has a sheath of brocade chifon stirred into fan shapes at the side to form a cascade skirt of even length. The scalloped shawl of the material, with its deep silk fringe is the striking note of the costume.

THE NEWEST HANDBAGS.

Paris likes its purses to match something else in the costume—either shoes, belt, or umbrella-handle, or perhaps all three. The new handbags are a little smaller, and a very smart lizard-skin one was fastened under an enamel buckle, which matched the buckle on the wearer's lizard-skin belt. A more practical set for travelling was made in pigskin, with perfectly plain brass buckles decorated only with plain initials.



The little party frock for Every Girl, to be made up in any dainty material you choose.

BEAUTIFUL GLASS.

FOR THE DINNER TABLE.

The craze of the moment is for glass, but glassware nowadays is shown in such variety that it is difficult to tell at a first glance whether the object that you are looking at is of China or of wonderfully prepared glass, so beautifully are tinting and clouded effects carried out.

A modern dinner-table boasts of nothing but glass, and in many cases, instead of spending money on elaborate decoration, a housewife manages her effects with the colour schemes of her glass dinner equipment. All manner of shades are in demand, but at the moment the most popular are the rich tones of Burgundy red, delphinium blue, or deep almond green. To relieve the sameness of the colour they are usually treated to an enlivening line of gold round the rims. A complete service, even to vegetable dishes, can be obtained in the same shade, and the scheme includes knife and fork rests to match. The most up-to-date designs also include cigarette holders and stands.

To create a decorative colour scheme which is intended to reply solely on the glass, there are decanters and all sorts of novel-shaped drinking goblets which should be chosen of a different shade. In the making of these beautiful things, manufacturers have considered every demand, for they can be obtained unadorned in the clearest pastel shades, or decorated with some device.

There are equally attractive tea services in clouded glass which is scarcely distinguished from a thin china. Of these, black sets, also treated to the inspiring lines of gold decoration, are most in demand. A glass tea table to match is often found accompanying them.

Glass Lampshades.

Glass ornaments about the house seem rather reminiscent of the old dust collecting days, but the delicate treasures that are offered to us now are too delightful to withstand. The craze for silk lampshades has given place to a liking for ornate glass affairs, to be suspended from the ceiling. These combine the best shaded and decorative effects. One in a beautifully moulded grape green bowl,

THE RED HAired.

KEEP PRETTIER LONGER.

"Fair-haired lads are better able to resist disease than dark-haired youths."

Sir Arbuthnot Lane, who stated this fact, admitted to a *Daily Chronicle* representative that it was apparently inexplicable.

"I have never been able to find out why people with light hair, tow-coloured or 'ginger' hair, appear to be able to resist some diseases more easily than dark-haired people," he said. I refer more especially to their apparent powers of overcoming the poisons due to bad feeding.

"Red-haired women, especially, maintain their fair complexions longer without blemish than their dark-haired sisters. It is always the dark ones whose good looks disappear most rapidly."

Sir Arbuthnot thought it might be associated with the difference in the activity of certain internal glands.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE.

POTATO CAKES.

Sieve some steamed or boiled potatoes, and to 1 lb. add 4 ozs. of flour, a good pinch of salt and a teaspoonful of baking powder. Add an ounce of melted butter or margarine and knead to a smooth paste. Roll out rather more than 1/2 inch thick on a floured board. Cut into rounds and cook on a greased griddle or frying pan, browning both sides. Butter and eat very hot.

which is coloured to make it opaque, and then decorated with clear green vine leaves and clouded, purple grapes is particularly attractive.

Flat glass bowls to hold miniature aquariums are more in demand than the china designs which have been popular for so long. The contents have also changed to match. One of the most sought after arrangements of the moment is a large glass bowl full of extraordinary glass fish, with exaggerated fins and tails, nestling in gaily tinted seaweed and rocks.

GOLD AND PINK ROSES.

Yet another use has been found for gold lace. At one of the dress parades recently a mannequin showed how perfectly adapted to evening cloaks this popular material could be. She wore a gold lace cloak which had a gold mesh foundation that still managed to show the dress beneath in a fascinating manner. Her frock was one of the silent taffetas of the fashionable blue-green, and the hem was in gold lace scallops, each scallop delicately outlined with pink rose-buds.



The tissue jumper discussed at length by Joan.

FACTS IN BRIEF.

Ivory should be washed in warm soapy water, and a brush used if necessary to remove dirt from any



A two-piece flannel frock for school is gay with red, black and white plaid. The bolero back is the chief glory of the frock. Collar and cuffs are white organdy, piped with red satin and trimmed with pearl buttons at the edge.

carved parts. It should then be well rinsed, dried and polished with a chamois leather. Stains can be removed by being rubbed with a little salt and vinegar, or salt and lemon juice.

A lump of camphor stored with silver will help to preserve its brilliancy.

A tumbler that has been used for milk should be filled with cold water as soon as possible to prevent the grease sinking into the glass and making it difficult to wash.

Paint stains can be removed from glass with a little oxalic acid.

Broken china should be mended as soon as possible after it is broken; if allowed to lie about the fine points or edges get rubbed or broken, and the joining will not be so close.

Grease stains can be removed from wicker furniture by rubbing them with a little methylated spirit.

Japanned bedsteads may be revived by rubbing them over with a little paraffin, and then polishing with a soft duster.

Old huckaback bedroom towels are excellent for paint washing.

Black marble may be rubbed over with a little linseed oil after washing to give it a gloss.

THE NEW JUMPERS.

Ringed silk jumpers are in high favour, and a novelty is a waist-belt of equally gay woven string, very much on the same lines as a striped scout's belt. Another example of the boy scout influence is the replica of their flat-brimmed beige felt hats. These hats, by the way, are finished with a miniature copy of the waistbelts, both of them, for a conceit of fashion, finishing with a silver snake.

A decorative touch on plain costumes is found in giraffe complete with fringe which encircle the waist.

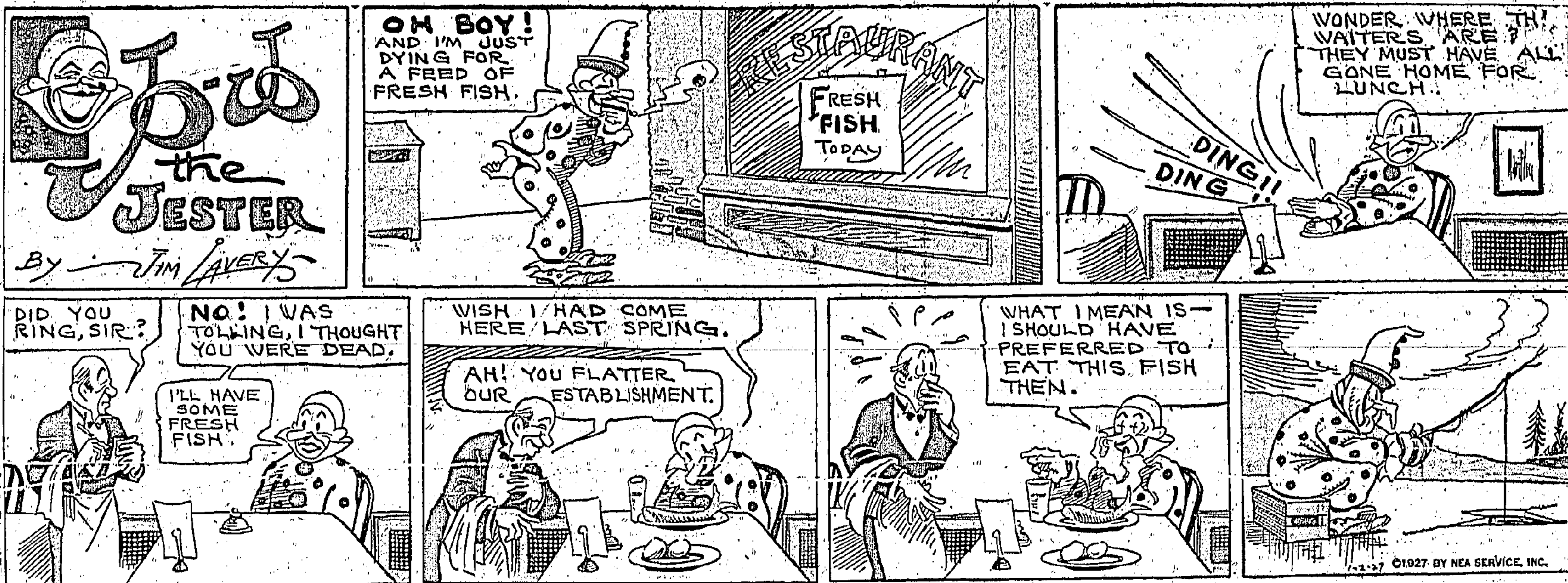
Very bright mittens, hand-knitted and patterned with a minute design, find something in common with the tops of the stockings which are sold with them.

A FEW REFLECTIONS.

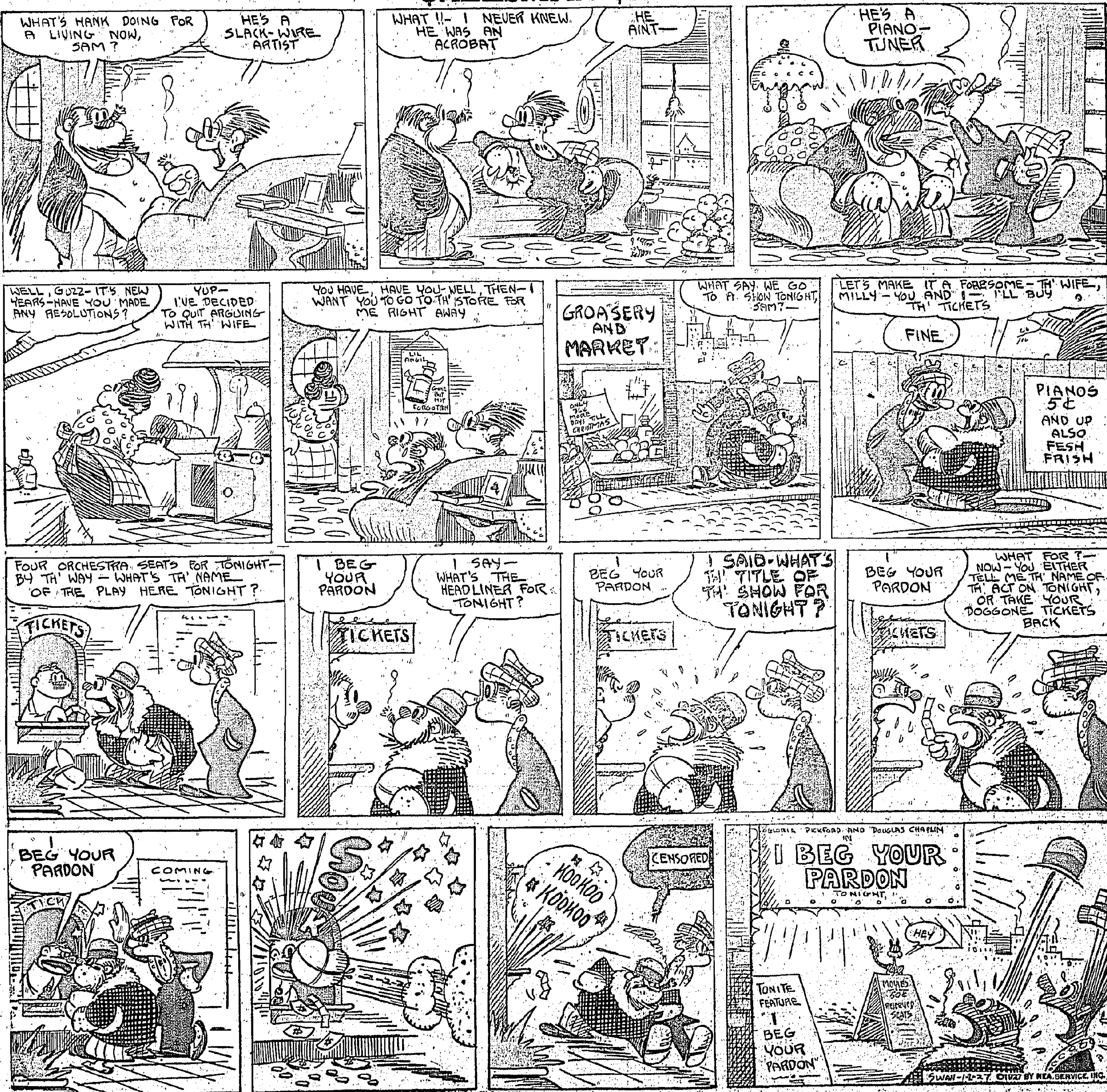
What is the secret of personality in clothes? Why do some women, even in the sort of costume that everyone else is wearing, always look so essentially themselves, and others—equally attractive-looking perhaps—suggest mass-production and general ordinariness?

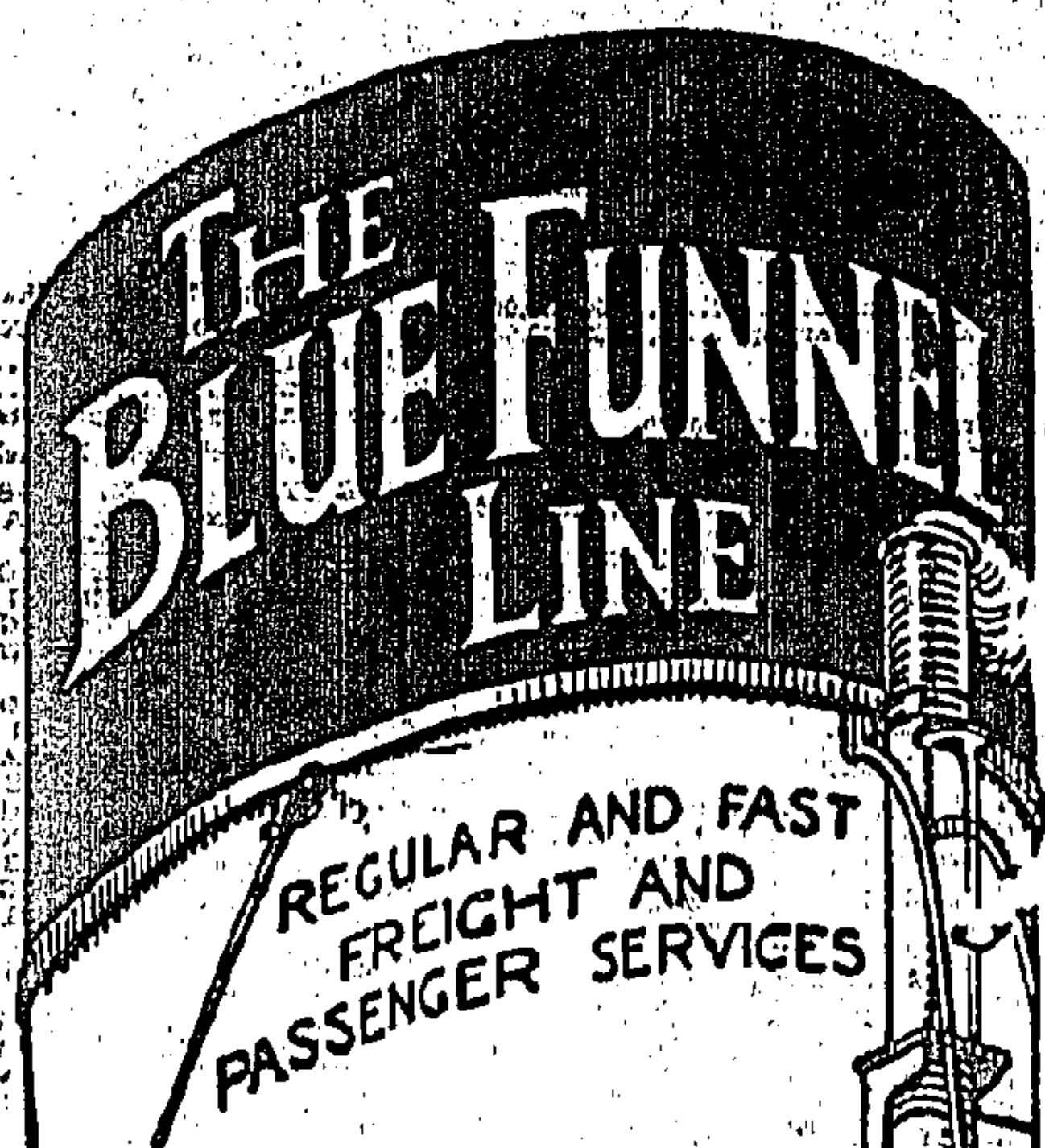
You can be sure of one thing—the woman who looks individual is a critic. She doesn't take the first thing offered her. It must suit her, it must be of good quality, it must be up-to-date, and it must not have any detail that does not mean something and contribute to the whole effect.

But there is another point—it must be subordinate to herself.



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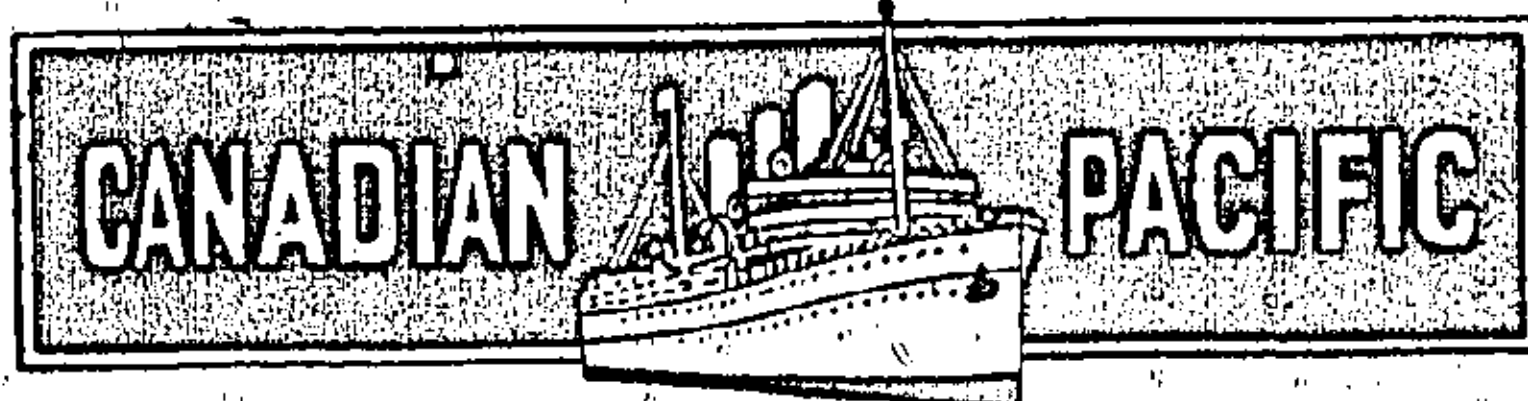
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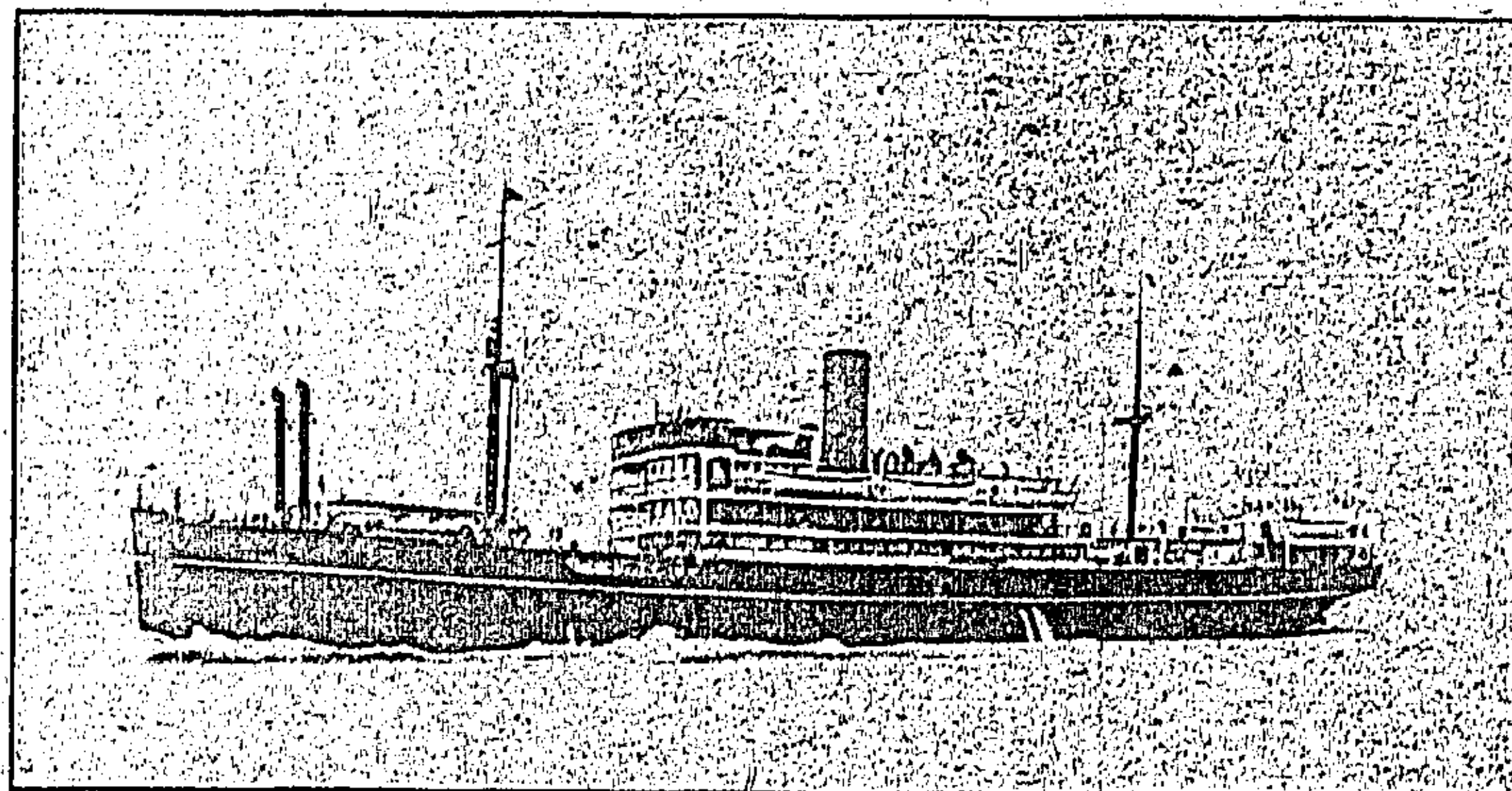
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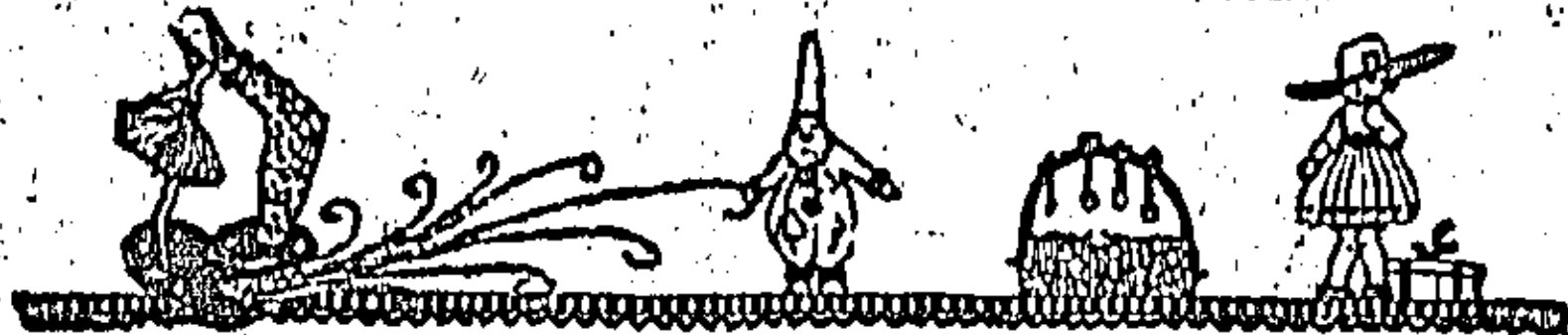
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It is but natural that a seaport like Hamburg—one of the most frequented ports of the Continent—should be infested to a more than usual extent by all sorts of doubtful and shady characters intent on carrying on their unlawful avocations under cover of darkness. Some of them haunt the obscure taverns scattered throughout the somewhat picturesque but by no means particularly salubrious slum districts of the city, whilst others prefer to pose as cavaliers and gentlemen of immaculate character and to put up at the best hotels and boarding houses. But whatever their real or pretended social standing may be, the police authorities are confronted with the laborious task of finding out all their little ways and of preventing them from carrying out their nefarious designs. Many of them have made it their speciality to smuggle opium out of the country, and it is they who have always attracted the special attention of the police authorities and of the custom-house officers.

PROFESSIONAL SMUGGLERS.

The huge transhipment trade passing through Hamburg every year and the numerous facilities provided in her free port for the storage and warehousing of merchandise—large quantities of which are exported to or imported from the Far East—have always held out considerable inducements to the professional opium smugglers who are well aware of the onerousness with which their consignments are looked forward to by numerous clients in China. It is of little concern to them that their illicit practices materially add to the difficulties with which the Chinese authorities have to contend in their struggle against the pernicious drug habit. The audacious methods employed by the smugglers and their agents and the ingenuities displayed by the police and the criminals alike can be properly appreciated only by those who have had a chance of watching every phase of the efforts aiming at the suppression of the reprehensible trade.

Not long ago, the police were successful in running to earth a gang of smugglers ostensibly engaged in exporting safes. These, however, were provided with special devices between the outer and inner steel walls capable of being used as receptacles for concealing contraband opium. Seven such safes were discovered in the free port and, of course, were duly confiscated by the authorities.

HIDDEN IN TOMBSTONES.

Still more instructive as regards the difficulties encountered by the police is the following case that came to light last June. Seven crates containing goods declared as earthenware arrived by train from Budapest, and when the con-

tents were inspected, they were found to be tombstones made of artificial stone. They had been duly consigned to a Hamburg firm of forwarding agents, and the instructions were that they were to be handed over to a certain American national who was to forward them to a Shanghai firm.

For some reason or other, however, the criminal investigation officials of the Hamburg police had their suspicions aroused. They had the tombstones examined again, and by gently tapping them it was discovered that they were hollow. They were immediately opened, and it soon became evident that the police had made a good haul. The harmless-looking tombstones contained no less than 467 small tins filled with diacetyl morphine, a substance derived from the opium plant and resembling morphium and hashish in its effects. It is probably more generally known by its trade name of heroin. It goes without saying that the whole consignment, packing included, was confiscated.

AMERICAN SENTENCE.

A very gratifying feature of the case was that the police also succeeded in getting hold of the person who instigated the whole affair. This was an American, who asserted that he had been resident at Shanghai for six years. He had been travelling all over Europe in the company of an actress. At the time he was caught, he was staying at one of the most luxurious hotels in Hamburg where he lived in grand style. Only a few days prior to the discovery of the case he had obtained payment of \$55,000 through the intermediary of an American bank. After first making an unsuccessful attempt at denying any connection with the matter, he made a full confession later on, so that the penalty fixed by the law could be inflicted upon him.

NOT GERMAN ORIGIN.

It is cases like those just described that have caused idle and ill-disposed critics abroad to spread the rumour that the steps taken by the Hamburg authorities against the illicit trade in opium are insufficient for the purpose. But the details of the case under reference show very clearly how unjustified such complaints really are.

The facts enumerated above conclusively prove that shipments from German seaports are by no means necessarily of German origin, as certain sections of the non-German press have persistently maintained when shipments of narcotics have been concerned. It is obvious therefore, that insinuations to the effect that Germany is prominently involved in the illicit opium traffic are either based on wrong information or due to mischievous intentions.

SPECIAL COURT.

A special Court competent to deal with the sale of intoxicating poisons only has just been created. The court is entitled to investigate and punish every offence against the Opium Act. It is a great advantage that all these offences are now to be dealt with by the same persons, because these are able to connect threads between which the ordinary judge—who may never have had a chance of dealing with similar cases to the one that happens to come before him—could not possibly establish any connection. Indeed, during the short time that this special Court has been instituted the important fact has come to

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The personnel of the 7th General Hospital, to which fifteen nurses are attached, is headed by Matron Allen, who said that most of the nurses have seen active service and that two have been in China.—*Reuter.*

UNITED AMERICA.

ALL PARTIES AGREE.

New York, Jan. 28.
China has apparently provided the subject whereupon Americans can at length agree after the bitter controversies over the League of Nations, the World Court, Debt Settlements, Mexico and Nicaragua.

Public opinion here clearly sympathizes with the Administration's desire to abandon extra-territorial rights in China as soon as possible and to restore complete tariff autonomy.

The *Chicago Tribune*, in a patriotic editorial, declares that a situation may arise which will compel the United States to fulfil its duty of protecting the lives and property of Americans but the acceptance of that duty can have nothing to do with America's long-established purpose to free China as far as possible from foreign dependence and make it, with the co-operation of the Chinese, a free self-governing, unified and nationalized State.

The *World* (Democratic) approves of the policy recommended by Mr. Kellogg, namely, that the West should co-operate with China by making good its promises.

The *New York Times*, referring to a cry in a section of the French press that America was responsible for the crisis in China, says ironically: "We have succumbed to the fantastic notion that a promise made to a Chinaman ought to be kept."—*Reuter's American Service.*

U. S. MUNITIONS.

SENT FROM MANILA.

The U.S.S. Stewart, Asiatic Fleet destroyer left Manila last Saturday for Chingwantao with stores and ammunition for the 16th Infantry in China. The ammunition, it is understood, consisted of 500 boxes of hand grenades, three inch Stokes trench mortar shells, rifle shells and blasting.

The stores and ammunition were originally to have been taken to China on the Army transport Meigs; however, owing to the difficulty of entering Chingwantao harbour, because of it being frozen over, it is understood the captain of the transport refused to make the trip.

light, that there are regular concerns engaged in carrying out the smuggling business, and that, generally speaking, they do so to the exclusion of any outsiders, so that they enjoy all the benefits of a secret organization. Once, however, the authorities have become acquainted with part of such a concern, they will always find it easier to extend their knowledge of it, and it is therefore by no means unlikely that the newly-created Court will soon discover the various gangs and suppress their evil activities.

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